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WHERE FARMING PAYS

Col. George Drew showed something of his great ability in his address before the York County Federation of Agriculture here two weeks ago. He did not deal long with general conditions in Britain, but devoted almost his entire address to what agriculture in Britain is doing. Obviously Col. Drew worked while he was in Britain. He went to Britain for information and he gathered it systematically.

He could go before a group of business men and tell them what is happening to business in the old country. We know by reading an article he has written since he returned that he could go before a group of military experts and tell them what Britain is doing in their field (and what, in his opinion, Britain should be doing). And we think he could go before a group of politicians too and tell them something worthwhile about British war-time politics.

"The most amazing example of organization in Britain today is the organization of agriculture for war," Col. Drew said. Then he went on to give detailed information of a system of county committees on agriculture with "power to act." These committees even have power to dispossess the farmer if he is not getting satisfactory production. The committee would simply arrange a lease to another person for the duration of the war and three years thereafter. A farmer might be dispossessed but he still would own the farm and receive the rent. He could sell to anyone he pleased regardless of who happened to be the tenant.

"Not one farmer to whom I talked questioned the wisdom of the regulations, or the fairness of the way power is exercised," said Col. Drew.

Farming in Britain is profitable, Col. Drew said. Col. Drew, who got his information from the British minister of agriculture, R. S. Hudson, from the county committees and from farmers themselves, said that they had told him that in setting the prices of farm products they had used the same principle of cost plus a reasonable profit that they had used in setting the price of munitions.

"Rightly or wrongly, they decided that it was wise to build a cellar in agricultural prices before they put on a roof," commented Col. Drew. "And it has worked. Never has agriculture in 25 years been so prosperous, so confident, as today."

IT DOESN'T "ADD UP"

Two and two make five, according to Gooderham and Worts (see billboards on Main and Eagle Sts.). Two and two make five, according to Hiram Walker also, we were interested to learn by a billboard on University Ave., Toronto. On inquiry we were told that these two firms are one and the same, and that they have another name in Quebec province. Why would a firm go to the considerable expense of using two different signatures on this clever war savings billboard? We asked that question too. An advertising man told us: "To get as much advertising as possible." And so the "space donated" is really "advertising chiselled" into the public gaze in spite of laws against it. If the advertising is effective we may expect that G. and W. and Hiram Walker are well repaid for their expenditure. Perhaps their advertising will really divert more money from the dominion treasury than it will send to it. Oh patriotism, what offences are committed in thy name!

AN ABLE GLADIATOR RETURNS

There are many nice remarks in the press about Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen taking the leadership of the Conservative party. Mr. Meighen is an able speaker and a biting critic, and will undoubtedly help the press of Canada and fellow parliamentarians to keep the government on its toes. Mr. Meighen is unquestionably moved by a sense of public service and he will be an asset to the commons. Mr. Meighen's appointment, however, hasn't stirred any wave of enthusiasm in these rural parts. We have heard no comment on the subject on the street—Main St., of course, with its stoves and its soap-boxes, which passes up few meaty topics for discussion.

We might guess that the silence indicates a lack of interest in Mr. Meighen's conscription plank. Or we might guess that it indicates a lack of interest in the sort of conscription that Mr. Meighen is considered to have in mind—conscription of men only, to fight and die that money may be safe and continue to bear interest. Or it may be that people are not so sure that they need two conservative parties. Mr. King's conservative party should serve the country's needs in that direction. What is needed is an alternative party with an alternative program.

The Conservative party has the choice of dying a natural death, merging with the conservative Liberal party, or competing with the C.C.F. as the new liberal party. It seems a mistake to throw away the party's new "Bennett new deal" and Stevens' reform traditions in an effort to be more conservative than the conservative Liberals. There might even be room for two liberal parties, the C.C.F., with a socialist program of public ownership of basic industry,

encouragement of consumer and producer co-operatives, and an advanced program of state medicine and social services, and a more moderate liberal party (not led by Mr. Meighen, of course) with a program for a somewhat planned economy approximating the Roosevelt New Deal.

That would provide a reasonable choice of horses on which to wager at the next federal election, which, we hope, will be a post-war election. In the meantime, we look forward to seeing Mr. Meighen enliven the Ottawa scene.

ANSWER NOT CLEAR YET

Crime is on the upswing in the United States, according to government reports from Washington. Crimes of violence such as murder, manslaughter, rape and various types of assault increased in number, but, to a lesser degree, robberies, burglaries and larcenies showed a decrease. How should we try to account for these tendencies? The decrease in the acquisitive crimes we can attribute to a rise in prosperity in the United States. Some years ago we were able to charge up an increase in lawlessness in the United States to prohibition. Were we possibly mistaken? Was the lawlessness which accompanied prohibition possibly not entirely due to prohibition but instead the aftermath of the last war? Was it a violent form of flapperism?

EXCEPTIONS CREEP IN

It is an unfortunate fact that a man cannot live in Ottawa and be aware of the troubles and the trials of people living in other parts of the country. If our cabinet ministers all returned to real dirt farms each weekend, or even for their summer holidays, farming would be in a much better position. The action of the government in exempting from salary-freezing dominion, provincial and municipal employees illustrates this point. The government is sympathetic with those to whom it is close, with those whose problems it is aware of, but it is firm with those who haven't its ear. Cabinet ministers themselves have handsome salaries and it is natural that they should not want those who work closely with them to have to feel the war pinch too much.

They know, however, that somebody must feel it and so they clamp down on distant farmers and workers. The farmers of northern York county or the wage-earners of Newmarket and Aurora, indeed, are probably feeling the pinch much more than are Ottawa or other civil servants. More than that, civil servants were reasonably well paid during the depression and should have savings, but many of our people were out of work or working part time for years and they have no resources to fall back on. Our farmers have been eating into their capital for ten years. If exceptions are to be made, surely they should be in favor of those who are feeling the pinch most.

WHAT OTHERS THINK

WILL GOLD BECOME JUNK?

(Fort Erie Times-Review)

Annually, hundreds of thousands of miners with costly machinery and chemicals produce gold worth about one and a quarter billions of U.S. dollars. Most of this is loaded on ships, which are now more precious than the gold itself, and taken to the United States for reburial in Fort Knox, Ky., Denver, Colo., and other government vaults.

In an article discussing the future of gold, the Manchester Guardian remarks that gold-mining shareholders take for granted the continuance of this old procedure for the duration of the war; but, the article adds, many must sometimes wonder how long it will continue after the war and whether the belief in gold may some day vanish as other faiths have vanished.

It has been contended that the United States could not afford to let gold depreciate to its mere industrial value; but such a trend might become unavoidable if post-war tariffs again prevent debtor countries from paying the United States in goods. Under such circumstances, any gold outside the United States would soon become exhausted, and other means of adjusting international accounts would have to be found.

A FINE CITIZEN PASSES

(Barrie Examiner)

In the passing of Hon. Newton Wesley Rowell, Canada, particularly Ontario, sustains a great loss. A former leader of the Liberal party in Ontario, Mr. Rowell was one of those statesmen who commanded the respect of both political friend and foe. Possessed with one of the most brilliant minds of our times, he made a notable contribution to the public life of the dominion which gave him birth.

In more recent years his name was associated with the Rowell-Sirois Commission on Dominion-Provincial Affairs, and while the recommendations of that committee have been shelved for the time being, the future will no doubt deal with the recommendations which the commission made to bring about a closer unity of all classes in the dominion. It was perhaps unfortunate that the commission's report should have been tabled in war-time when the importance of the war effort beclouded all other issues.

Mr. Rowell was a man of many interests and attainments. As chief justice of the Ontario supreme court, he gave to this court added dignity and the weight of his erudite thinking. As a politician he represented that type of political thought and action far removed from the roustabout politics of this present time. He served with distinction in the imperial war cabinet during the last war, and he represented Canada on the League of Nations at Geneva.

His ability was not confined to politics and business, and he gave of his best to the church. Strongly advocating temperance, he fought vigorously for this cause. Perhaps a little ahead of his generation he supported the principle of compulsory voting, and the future may vindicate his thinking in this matter. Mr. Rowell lived a long and useful life, and even those who disagreed with him in matters political, will always recognize him as a statesman of the old school and a citizen whom Canada can ill afford to lose.

THE HEART OF THE WINTER

The checkered taxicab carried Frances Driskoll down snow-covered Linden Street. It was not a new cab, nor even a warm one. The creaking noises it made certainly were not cheerful. Rather, they seemed to be protests against her journeying to the big house where she was going on home for the three fallow months she had planned to spend in Florida.

If it had not been for little Jane Bennett, Frances would now have been driving along a Miami street. The other nurses at Bethany Hospital had all said, "Go to Florida, you lucky girl. 'We've all had especially nice patients but never before has any nurse been so lucky as you. To have a young novelist's grateful sister invite you to Florida to spend the heart of the winter is just too much."

Little Jane had been silent while the others had talked. She and Frances shared rooms and secrets alike. She knew of the letter from Frances' home, which told of her stepmother's being taken to a sanitarium because of a nervous breakdown.

After the others had left, however, Jane had turned toward Frances, her eyes filled with heartbreak. "Softly she had murmured, 'Of course the little boys aren't really your brothers, Fran, and your old housekeeper is capable. But there's your father to think of. And, honey, it's just heaven to have a father who still needs your care.'"

That evening at dinner Frances had said, "Girls, I'm going home to-morrow. Now don't say a word. I've already sent a telegram to Florida that I'm not coming."

The checkered taxicab gave its last protesting creak and stopped in front of a rambling house near the end of the street. The driver shuffled through the snow to Dr. Driskoll's door with her baggage. Frances, who followed, gave a half hesitant knock and waited.

It was answered after a second by sounds of footsteps, slow, ambling ones on the first floor, rushing ones on the stairway. When the door was opened Frances faced an assembled family—old Cynthia, the housekeeper, the twins, and tiny Timothy.

Cynthia pulled a cap from her graying hair. "Miss Fran as I live," she gasped. "And me with nothing but hash, brown beans, and applesauce for supper." Instantly the twins were on Frances. Jeffrey had both arms around her; Jason tried hard to reach up so he could kiss her. Together they cried, "Tim, she's our sister from Daddy's beautiful picture. Come on and kiss her, baby. Hurry!"

Three-year-old Timothy, whose eyes were as blue, hair as red, and features as regular as those of his father, backed into a corner and simply stared at Frances. When she tried to coax him out, she saw the spots on his jersey suit, the missing buttons, the holes in his stockings, and the tangles in his lovely curls.

The Driskoll twins swung Frances' bags up the stairway with all the pomp of eight-year-olds eager to make an impression. Cynthia came after them telling Frances about her stepmother's trip to the sanitarium and her father's extra work. Tiny Timothy followed at a distance.

Before the guest room the twins stopped with a flourish. Soon Frances was inside, closing the door after her, standing a minute



The Russians report that they have driven the enemy from Moscow and Leningrad and that the Nazis are retreating on all fronts. The Russians say they are now carrying on an offensive campaign to drive all Germans from Russian soil. They have retaken the strategic railway town of Klin 60 miles northwest of Moscow.

Humphrey Mitchell, veteran trade unionist, has been appointed by Prime Minister King as minister of labor and Hon. Norman McLarty becomes secretary of state.

In the fighting in Malaya the Japanese have advanced more than 50 miles on the road to Singapore.

On the Hong Kong front the British are believed to have withdrawn their forces from the mainland section of Hong Kong, concentrating their strength on the island part of the colony for an expected assault.

A system of compulsory selective service for home defence and for war output of all kinds will be started within the next 60 days, Ottawa has announced. Men and women will be drafted for work in industrial war plants and for jobs on farms and elsewhere. Conscription for overseas service is not included in the plan.

Gasoline rationing will go into effect next April 1. "The curtailment in consumption will be effected mainly through the limitation of non-essential private car-driving," said Munitions Minister Howe.

A wide variety of articles made mostly of metal have been declared "supplies" under the Munitions and Supplies Act and "regulation or elimination of their production will begin at once."

uncertainly as though she wanted to cry.

Three hours later she sat alone in the living room waiting for her father to come home. The room was now tidy. The twins, under her supervision, had gathered all their scattered toys from the lower floor of the house and carried them to their own nook upstairs. Old Cynthia, eager to give the doctor's daughter a real welcome, had hurriedly built a fire in the fireplace.

Supper had been a cheerful meal, despite the hash and the brown beans. The box of mints and the basket of assorted fruits Frances had brought as gifts for her little half-brothers had made it a veritable feast for them.

Now as Frances sat in front of the glowing flames, she smiled to herself. Memory of Timothy's good-night kiss was responsible for that smile. Philosophically she had told herself while in her room upstairs, "Now that I'm here, I might as well do everything I can to make them happy. Perhaps Marcia will be able to come home before my three months are up and I can make a tiny trip to Florida."

Heavy footsteps sounded on the front porch. Frances walked into the hall and was near the centre of the room when her father opened the door.

His eyes grew vividly alive at sight of Frances. Then she rushed into his arms. For a long time they clung to each other. Dr. Driskoll finally held his daughter away with both hands to lovingly study her. "Brown eyes and lovely mouth like your mother's," he murmured softly. His fingers caressed her dusky curls and rounded chin. He lifted her hand. "Here is the part of you that is like Father Dad." He held out her beautiful tapering fingers, studying them whimsically.

"That reminds me. Did you operate today, Daddy?" Frances asked.

"Twice." He was the surgeon again. "Both successful, and my last patient is a man sixty-eight years old."

After his coat was off, Frances led him in to the blazing fire, brought him a cup of coffee and some sandwiches, just as she remembered her mother had always done. All the time she worked, she listened to his story of the afternoon's difficult operation.

The patient had been sent to Lindendale by city surgeons who had worked with her father in operating rooms. His malady was one in which her father had specialized. Success in this case meant much to his career, he said.

After the patients were discussed, Dr. Driskoll told Frances about his wife's failure to improve at the sanitarium where she was confined; then they talked about the three little boys. "The twins are just grand, Father." Frances knew how dearly her father loved his sons. "They even washed their necks for dinner because I was their guest. But Timothy is the darling of them all."

The brilliant smile on her father's face caused little Jane Bennett's words to slip into her mind then: "It's just heaven to have a father who still needs your care."

"I've come home for three months, three fallow months as they call them at the hospital, Father," Frances went on.

"But you must rest some during fallow months, and not worry with us men folks all the time, Fran," he insisted.

He went upstairs with Frances and came into her room to see about a recumbent window lock. That was how he happened to notice the photographs on her dresser, particularly the one of a stalwart blond young man.

He lifted the picture, started to say something, but the quick blush on Frances' face stopped him. "Don't get ideas, Father," she began. "He's just Barry Winters, a young author."

"So I see," he smiled. "And I just happened to be his nurse. He hurried on. 'Look on the other side of the photograph and you'll see an inscription about gratitude to his nurse. It would have been written for Jane or Noreen or any of the others. He's in Florida now, you know.'"

Dr. Driskoll seemed about to speak, but changed his mind. As he fussed at the recumbent lock, however, he smiled to himself and glanced at the photograph once in a while. As he gave Frances a good-night, he drew happily "Three whole months at home. How wonderful we'll make them, dear."

The wonderful months, however, were made up of ragged days. These started the very next week. It was while Frances was directing the most necessary cleaning of the entire house that accounts from different merchants began to roll into the Driskoll home. Cynthia explained how they had accumulated because she had felt that her mistress was not able to look after them while so sick.

Before Frances had the bills all paid the twins brought the diphtheria home to Timothy, as they termed it. Both of them had the malady in a light form, but little Timothy grew critically ill.

"He always screamed at the top of his voice when he had to be doctored before this," Cynthia remembered after the tube was in place and the little three-year-old was sleeping.

"If he had screamed, he would have choked to death," said the assistant doctor, who had been called in, bluntly.

Dr. Driskoll did not speak, just held Frances close to him. Tears glistened on his eyelashes. Driskoll then Frances spoke to him. "You must get down to the hospital right away to your critical patient. I can watch Timothy."

Morning came at last, the rising sun throwing a glory into the room where Timothy was now sleeping peacefully. It was then Frances' father came home. His careworn

(face lighted when he saw his tiny son, "I knew you could care for him because you love him, darling," he praised. "Fran, Timothy's going to get well. So is my patient. We battled all night for his life."

A strange expression, played across Dr. Driskoll's face. "Just as soon as you can leave Timothy for a little while, my patient wants to see you."

Frances was planning to make another visit before this one to the difficult patient. She was going to the sanitarium to visit her step-mother.

Frances went to her own room for a rest. Her father had telephoned for his office nurse to sit through the morning with Timothy. On the girl's dresser was a pile of letters. Frances had not even thought of mail for days. Now she looked through the envelopes, tossing most of them aside for later reading. The one from Noreen, however, she opened.

Halfway through the gay letter, Frances read this paragraph: "Barry Winters came to town last week to see his publishers. I met him on the street and he talked only a minute. He didn't even ask about you, so I suppose he's like all the rest of our patients—when they're well they forget us."

Frances' hand went to her throat. For minutes the girl lay on her couch, a tightness in her throat, until blessed weariness swept her out of worry into sleep.

When she awakened hours later, she walked to the dresser, took Barry Winters' photograph and buried it in her trunk.

"Marcia," Frances was talking directly to her father's wife, who was just eight years her senior, "do you want me to stay at home a year? And do you want to come home right away? You'll get better there, I'm sure. After all, I'm a nurse."

The thin girl, whose blond hair and pale cheeks were such a contrast to Frances' vivid coloring, looked around the bare sanitarium room. "Oh, Fran," she gasped, "you'll take care of me—like you did Timothy? But I can't let you do that—give up a year for us. You're young and lovely. If you stay away from your friends a year, they'll forget you."

"Already forgotten, Marcia," laughed Frances bitterly. "I'll never go back to Bethany."

Frances talked rapidly on so the emotion would not be noticed in her voice. She made plans so Marcia could be moved the next day. Suddenly, noticing the shadows stealing into the room, she rose. "I promised Father Dad to stop to see his patient," she explained.

She almost ran up the steps of the hospital a little later. It really was getting late and she had to hurry, for Father Dad was going to drive home with her. At the desk, she asked for him and together they went up the stairway, she telling how Marcia was to come home.

Before she was through with her story, they were at the door of the Hudson rooms, the hospital's most expensive suite. Father was opening the door and Frances saw a handsome white-haired man sitting in an invalid chair before the window.

His hands reached out to her. "So this," he said, slowly, "is the girl who thinks that fathers are people after all. Dr. Driskoll, I must say you are fortunate."

It was then that Frances was aware of another person in the room, a stalwart young man who was fussing with something on the dresser. Even before he turned she



SUPERMAN PICTURE IS COMING TO THE STRAND

A departure from all previous cartoon efforts is the Paramount short subject, "Superman," one of a series of 12 based on the exploits of the comic strip character.

recognized him from his blond head, his shoulders, his attitude of standing. He was Barry Winters. "I think you know my son," said the old man, his eyes twinkling.

Barry Winters was already beside Frances, his hands clasping hers, holding them close. His blue eyes were looking deeply into hers. "I had just decided to have diphtheria myself when your father told me that the card was off your door today."

Frances tried to ask casually, "How's Florida? When did you leave?"

"Haven't gone yet," he returned. "You see, Father couldn't get by with treating me like I did him. He slipped down here to this hospital, but the family doctor told me where he was and how ill he was. So I just followed. I don't think Florida will see me this winter. We're taking a house in Lindendale so Father can be close to his doctor."

He dropped her hands and laughed gaily. "Now when am I going to see Tiny Tim and the twins?" he demanded.

Back in the car Frances Driskoll and her father drove silently through the now darkened streets. Suddenly Frances slipped her hand out onto the steering wheel over that of her father. "You knew all the time," she accused him. "I did," he said, slipping his arm around her.

Frances wanted to cry, wanted to sing, wanted to laugh. Oh, the world was all right after all! Little Jane had been right about fathers. They were people who loved their daughters enough to turn the world upside down to make them happy.

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The Common Round

BIRDS I HAVE KNOWN
By Isabel Inglis Colville

"Would you like some birds?" and he couldn't reach me—then asked my father one day when I he'd chuckle and laugh, till I felt was about fourteen, and felt like like throwing things at him, and he kept me there till someone caged him.

Mostly, like Kipling's cat, "he walked by his wild lone," but one day we made a funny discovery. I peeped cautiously in at the kitchen door knowing that Polly was loose, but Polly had no eyes for me—he was having a glorious time with the bulldog, Prince, and Jenima, the kitten. Jenima was taking wild leaps and landing on Prince's prostate form. Then, having performed a sort of Spanish fandango, on that long-suffering animal, she'd take another leap toward Polly.

This was when I held my breath, fearing my beloved Jenima was putting her pretty little head in the lion's jaws—but no—I pinched mother and gasped. There was the splendid Polly, putting up an awkward claw, just like a catcher would do—to stop the kitten. This went on over and over, till Polly climbed up the back of a chair to rest and the kitten flung herself down on Prince and all three slumbered peacefully to the accompaniment of Prince's snores.

The canary was a darling and lived till he was thirteen; the other two birds were short-lived, but the dwarf parrot learned to talk and followed me round like a dog.

But between Polly and I the battle raged even more fiercely, and not only at me was his venom directed. One lovely day his cage was set on the verandah floor and I had just given him a piece of bread dipped in milk, of which he was inordinately fond, when I heard the most appalling shrieks. The family hastened to the verandah to behold Polly holding fast to the poor soft nose of a neighbor's puppy, who had tried to get a bit of bread Polly dropped. Polly's shrieks of rage when torn from his victim were appalling, but increasing temper came with increasing age and Polly was given to my aunt, who fed him to death.

Since then I've vowed that NEVER shall a caged bird be in our home—instead, I watch them as they come to feed by the spruce trees.

Lately, I've kept a water dish with a big stone in the centre for them to drink from, but it's a squirrel who gets fun out of it. He sits on the stone and dips bread crumbs in the water and then eats them.

The chickadees perch on the window sills if I'm late serving breakfast and fly round me as I feed them—THESE are the birds for me!

IS ON ACTIVE SERVICE



Trooper Orley McClure, who is on active service overseas with the Canadian army, is the son of Mrs. Gordon McClure, R. R. 3, Newmarket, and grandson of John McClure of Newmarket. He attended Bogartown public school and Newmarket high school.

RAVENSHOE

Mercury Hits 10 Below, Starts Season Early

This is the week of school concerts. Ravenshoe Sunday-school entertainment will be on Monday. There will be moving pictures, a ventriloquist and other musical numbers.

Rev. Gordon Lapp spoke last Sunday and gave a Christmas message, his subject being, "Lift up your hearts."

Next Sunday a special Christmas service will be held. Miss Margaret Fockler will bring the address.

Many attended Elmer Hamilton's sale. It was a very stormy day, but a good crowd came. Mr. Hamilton is giving up farming and moving to Ravenshoe general store.

Hugh Ross has taken a position in Toronto.

The Hamilton family is welcomed to the village.

Winter has come in earnest, with plenty of snow, and the mercury falling to 10 below zero on Friday morning.

SCHOMBERG MAN DIES AFTER INJURY BY HORSE

The second district victim of an animal in three days, John Henry Gould, 71, retired Schomberg farmer, died on Dec. 6 at Schomberg, a day after he had been kicked in the chest by a horse.

Surviving are his widow, the

former Ida Bateman, and four children, Mervin, Roy, Mary and Mrs. Harold Lepard, all of the Schomberg and Tottenham district.

The funeral service was held on Dec. 9 at Schomberg Anglican church, with interment in St. John's cemetery, Tecumseh.

SELL TWO LOTS

Sale of a lot on the south side of Andrew St. to Edgar Dennis for \$50 and a lot on the north side of Andrew St. to Fred Newton for \$54 was agreed to by by-law at a town council meeting last week.

Councillors Think Of Post-War Possibilities

What will happen to the drill-hall on the fair grounds after the war? This question was asked at a town council meeting on Monday of last week when N. L.

Mathews, K.C., clerk and solicitor, discussed with the council the wording of the formal agreement with the dominion government regarding the use of the fair grounds.

It was agreed that the agreement should call for putting the

grounds back in the same condition as before the war, as originally agreed, if the town after the war should request it.

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NUTRITION

"Good eyes, teeth and feet," said Miss Grey at Vandorf last week, "are essential to the men in the fighting forces, and not alone, of course, to them, but to all citizens, men, women and children of this vast dominion."

Miss Grey said that a great deal of the trouble with eyes, teeth and feet came from a lack of proper feeding—a person might have lots to eat and still not satisfy the really essential needs of the body.

A great many men who applied for entry into the armed forces were turned down because of defective vision, teeth or flat feet.

Experiments were being tried on some of those who were not too defective — experiments in nutrition. Some men, with a properly balanced, carefully selected diet, were, at the end of a few months, put into Class A when re-examined.

She gave a sort of pattern of what we needed to keep us fit—and the way some things should be cooked. Meat, said Miss Grey, should be cooked at 300 degrees by your oven thermometer, placed on a little grill in your roasting pan, without water and uncovered. Pork should be at 350 degrees. If the oven be put at a higher temperature, nearly twice as much juice will be lost.

She then spoke of vegetables. Onions, cabbage, cauliflower and turnips should be prepared just before cooking. Have the water boiling in the saucepan two or three minutes previously; put in a teaspoon of salt to a quart of water, add your vegetable slowly, so as not to stop the boiling, and cook UNCOVERED.

"Thus," said she, "you will eliminate most of the odor and retain the delicate coloring and have a pretty vegetable every day."

"Two vegetables, BESIDES potatoes, should be on every table, and one preferably a raw vegetable—lettuce, celery, cabbage, etc.

Six glasses of liquid, three pats of butter, some raw fruit every day, meat once a day, an egg nearly every day, cheese often; milk—a quart a day for children and growing boys, a lesser quantity for adults.

"Beware," warned Miss Grey, "of cooking vegetables in waterless cookers. Vegetables need water and lots of it! No vegetable cooked without water will be fit for consumption."

"An excellent way to store vegetables, keeping them crisp and flavorful, is to collect all the old tin cans, creamers—any large tin receptacle—and in these put your vegetables."

The writer of this article was speaking to Miss Grey after the meeting when (now the late) Mrs. Albert VanNostrand came up and told Miss Grey that since

Vivian

The ladies of the eastern unit of the Newmarket Red Cross, comprising Vivian, Churchill and Ballantrae north, held a joint euchre and croquinoile party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Card.

The euchre champions were Miss Dorothy Ferguson and Ross Hood of Ballantrae. Churchill took the croquinoile honors, Mrs. Wilfred Lazenby and Roy Clark being the sharpshooters.

The prizes were donated by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Card, and lunch was provided by the ladies of the Red Cross. The entire proceeds of \$7.80 went to the Red Cross.

The ladies continued their activities at the home of Miss Dorothy Ferguson on Tuesday, Dec. 9, making two large quilts and taking time off for a pot-luck dinner.

During the past month the ladies have completed and sent to headquarters the following: five turtle-neck sweaters, two pairs of grey socks, two pairs of khaki gloves, three large quilts, three small quilts, two quilt tops, donated by Mabel Hollidge, one quilt top, donated by Mrs. Orval Martin, one overcoat and shirt, donated by Roy Clark.



"We'll do our level best—"

The exchange of friendly greetings across the miles at Christmas creates a tremendous traffic jam on the Long Distance telephone lines.

This coming Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will be the busiest in history. Calls from the boys in barracks, camps and training centres to their loved ones at home will be added this Yuletide to the customary avalanche of spoken greetings. Even with every available circuit in use and every extra operator on duty, we know we won't be able to give you our usual service to some points.

But we'll do our best—and we're counting on your good-natured co-operation. If you have to wait a long time on your call to Aunt Emma, we're sure you'll be patient. When it finally gets through, we know you'll be willing to be brief so that other people may have the same line —

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BLAME ROUGH PAVEMENT FOR ARMITAGE DEATH

Accidental death, with no blame attached to the driver, was the finding of a jury inquiring

Treasurer's Sale**OF LAND FOR TAXES**

Township of East Gwillimbury. Will be held at Sharon hall, Feb. 7, 1942, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Lists of properties to be sold may be had at the treasurer's office at Queensville.

J. L. SMITH, Treasurer 1741

into the death of Roy Shortland, South River, on Yonge St. south of Armitage, under Coroner P. L. W. Dales, in Newmarket. The verdict drew the attention of the department of highways to the rough piece of pavement, where the car skidded off a wet pavement into a tree.

N. L. Mathews, K.C., acted for the crown. The car was driven by Edwin Shortland, South River. He and two other occupants of the car were slightly injured.

Another fatality at the same spot will be the subject of an inquest this week.

**YOUNG CHIPS IS SCARED BY A HUNGRY NEWCOMER**

BY RUTH DINGMAN HEBB

"I'm out of breath and I'm sh-sh-shaking all over," announced a very much flustered Chickadee to his mate, Merry, one December afternoon.

"Gracious, my dear!" exclaimed Merry, fluttering excitedly around him. "What in the world has happened? You said you were going off on a little jaunt with Nutty Nuthatch and Ted Chickadee, so I didn't expect to see you back so soon."

"I didn't expect to be back so soon either," Young Chips managed to blurt out. "But as it happens, I'm very glad I am back, because for a minute or two I was afraid that I would never be back."

"That sounds dreadful," Merry chirped. "I do wish you'd tell me what horrible thing happened to you. I'm on pins and needles."

"Well, Ted and Nutty and I were about three-quarters of a mile out of town and had stopped to rest on the edge of a big field, which was partly covered with snow," the Chickadee began. "We had planned to visit King township. Ted had a notion that he would like to see a deer and there are supposed to be quite a number of them there this year."

"I shouldn't think a deer would scare you as badly as you were apparently scared," remarked Merry.

"My dear Mrs. Chickadee," her spouse said severely. "If you wouldn't jump to ridiculous conclusions I could tell my story much better. We certainly saw no deer, and, as a matter of fact, we didn't get any farther than the edge of the field that I just mentioned. As I said, we were resting there and looking around and chatting together when suddenly a tremendous bird flew right past us, not more than 10 yards away. I was so surprised that I nearly fell out of the little tree where we were."

"Why in the world didn't you notice this big bird when you first arrived?" asked Merry rather impatiently. "And who was he anyway?"

"You'll faint when I tell you," answered Young Chips. "I suppose the reason that we didn't notice him when we arrived was that he is white and if he was perched in a low tree or on a fence we might have looked in that direction and not noticed him, with all the snow around."

"White?" Merry exclaimed aghast. "You don't mean that he was a . . ."

"I certainly do mean that he was a Snowy Owl," stated Young Chips. "He flew by so close to us that I could see the fine dark brown barring on his feathers and I could see also that he had practically no ear tufts. That's what makes his head look so funny and round, you know."

"You were very lucky he didn't see you, as he apparently didn't," Merry said with a slight shudder.

"I should say we were," replied Young Chips. "I think he was hunting for mice or rabbits, because he wasn't looking toward the trees at the edge of the field at all, but down toward the ground."

"It's unusual to see a Snowy Owl around here, isn't it?" said Merry. "I know they are seen occasionally, but they are not a bit common."

"That's where some bad news comes in," said Young Chips. "Of course, after the Owl had gone a little way past us we turned around and looked for Newmarket. Our afternoon had been spoiled. After all, they do eat small birds in a pinch, I'm sure. Perhaps it wouldn't even have to be in a pinch."

"What was the bad news you were going to tell me?" Merry

reminded him. "You always wander away from your main subject."

"Oh, yes," Young Chips said. "Well, on my way home I met Handsome, the Blue Jay, and, of course, he could see that I was upset, so I told him what had happened and he said that I might as well get used to keeping an eye peeled for Snowy Owls because I'm likely to be seeing more of them."

"It seems that quite a number of them are coming south this winter because of the lack of food farther north," the Chickadee added.

"Lack of food farther north," echoed Merry. "That seems to be all we hear these days doesn't it? Everybody's coming down here because of a food scarcity in the north. Dear, dear! That's just one more family to be on our guard against. I'm almost beginning to dread this winter."

"And remember that not all the Snowy Owls will be white like the adult bird we saw today," advised Young Chips. "The young ones are much darker in coloring and most of the birds that come down here will be young ones."

"Yes, I'll remember," said Merry. "But I do hope that they won't come and that they won't get too hungry if they're anywhere near us. They're so big they must eat a lot. They're even bigger than those huge Great Horned Owls. Ugh!"

"Cheer up and follow me," Young Chips said bravely, pulling himself together. "I saw a nice, new feeding station on our brief fly this afternoon and I'll take you over there now. After the ordeal I've been through I need a tasty meal of suet and whatever else they have to offer. Some chopped nuts would be awfully nice, too."

"You must be feeling better if you're beginning to think about food again," said Merry more happily, as they set out.

25 YEARS AGO

From Era file, Dec. 15, 1916

During the first week in January, 1917, an inventory was made by the post office authorities of every male between the ages of 16 and 65 residing in Canada.

Word has been received this week that Col. Clarke of the 127th Battalion (York Rangers), who has been in hospital in England with pneumonia, has now recovered and is soon to leave with his battalion for France, to be engaged in construction work.

Municipal nominations will be held next Friday. All municipal councils meet today to wind up the business of the year.

A special meeting of the Newmarket high school board took place in the secretary's office on Monday evening with Rev. M. J. Wedlock in the chair.

Pte. Jack Kennedy was in town on Tuesday. He was wounded in France and has lost the use of his right arm, otherwise he is doing well.

Mrs. L. W. Dales of Aurora had a delightful reception on Tuesday afternoon and evening. Mrs. Dales received, assisted by Mrs. T. W. Neal of Toronto.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the King George hotel took place last Friday evening in the hotel reading room. B. W. Hunter occupied the chair.

MARRIED At the Presbyterian manse, Newmarket, by Rev. H. P. Thomas, on Dec. 13, 1916, Norman Anderson of Keswick to Ethel Victoria Phillips of Viscount, Sask.

MARRIED—At the home of Elder D. Prosser, Newmarket, by Elder Prosser, on Dec. 13, 1916, Arthur Huntley to Florence King, both of North Gwillimbury.

50 YEARS AGO

From Era file Dec. 18, 1891

Mr. George E. Fierheller returned from Ottawa yesterday.

At the council meeting last Tuesday evening the finance committee brought in a report showing the financial standing of the town during the past year. There is a balance on hand of \$8,510.28, \$2,465 in taxes still to collect and the county grant towards bridges of \$325.10. Liabilities still unpaid amount to \$8,004.07.

There appears to be no desire for a change of occupants in the mayor's chair and it is likely Mayor Jackson will be nominated for a third term without opposition.

A fire in the furnace room at Cane's factory last Saturday morning was soon extinguished. No damage was done.

DIED—On the eighth of King, Dec. 1, John Henry Archibald.

IS HE INSURED?

Neighbor—So your husband has gotten a job at last.

Mrs. Brown—Yes, he has. It's hard work and he says it's killing him. But thank goodness it's permanent.

HE'S A RAVENSBOE BOY

The smiling youngster above is Robert James, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Morris, Ravenshoe. He was one year old in September. Photo by Budd.

A Good Samaritan Helps Out Dan Cupid

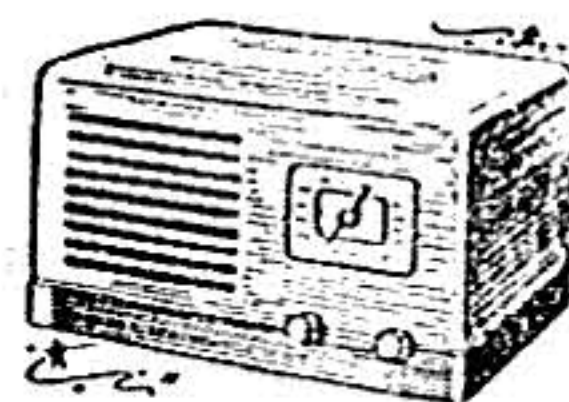
By Everyday Correspondent

This is the way that young Dan Cupid, a young soldier, aged 18 years, from Camp Borden called and enquired to be directed to the home of a certain young lady.

Well, that of all the writer phoned to someone who knew, and found out. The young man had hitchhiked his way and had come one block past his getting off place. He remained completely mystified as to directions.

So our Good Samaritan friend, Mr. William A. Clark, donned his overcoat and taking a flashlight escorted the soldier 2½ miles to the home of his damsel friend.

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but felt it had been worthwhile. That soldier was due at Camp Borden at 6.30 Monday morning. How would he get there? "Bitch-hiking," he said. Let us hope he was successful.

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This is an appeal to the women of Canada. There is one vital part of our war effort which depends on you.

Your government has placed a "ceiling" on retail prices. You are the buyers of four out of every five dollars worth of all the goods sold in this country. Your whole-hearted help is needed in this price control plan. If every woman does her part, it cannot fail.

Its success will be a big step on the road to victory. Its failure would be a serious blow to our war effort. You can tip the balance towards success.

Will you, then, undertake to make the successful control of commodity prices an established fact? We know you will. And we know that when you undertake this task it is as good as done.

This is the work you are asked to do**1. Make a list of commodities.**

We want you to sit down today and make a list of the things you buy from week to week and from month to month. Write down food and clothing items in particular, because these account for the biggest share of your expenditures. But we want you to list those articles you buy at the drug store, hardware store, and other stores, too.

2. Make notes about quality.

Now go over your list again and mark down the necessary details about quality, type, grade and size. Then when making future purchases you will be able to compare values as well as prices.

3. Write down prices.

After each item we want you to write down, if you can, the highest price charged at your store during the period September 15 to October 11, 1941. It is important to remember the prices charged during this period, all in your list with today's prices. Our survey shows that retailers, with few exceptions, are keeping prices well within the "ceiling" levels. As exceptions are being discovered they are being quickly brought into line.

4. Keep this list—use it when you buy!

Make up this price list neatly and accurately. You will not be able to get all the items at once. Keep adding to your list as you go. Make it your permanent check list—your personal safeguard against any further rise in prices.

Prices May be Different in Different Stores

There has always been a difference in prices in different stores—even stores in the same list. This may depend on the kind of service the store gives, or the way it operates. Some stores, for instance, have delivery service, give credit, or provide other extra services.

Under the new Price Ceiling Order there will still be differences in prices at different stores. The new price regulations will not do away with competition. The highest prices in any particular store must not be higher than the lowest prices in any other store during the period September 15 to October 11. This may be a little lower or a little higher than the prices in other stores.

The prices you will mark down will be the highest prices charged at the store where you shop.

A Few Points to Remember

1. The ceiling price is not necessarily the price you paid. It is the highest price at which the store sold the particular item between September 15 and October 11.

2. A merchant may reduce his prices for sales or other reasons. He may also raise them provided they do not go above the ceiling price.

3. Variations in seasonal prices on fresh fruits and vegetables are permitted. Rules on seasonal markets will be announced from time to time by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board in newspapers and over the radio.

4. Fill out your price list without bothering your merchant. In many cases he is making a financial sacrifice to sell under the price ceiling. The war has left him short-stocked and the Christmas rush is on.

Items most frequently bought

This is not intended as a complete list. It is simply offered as a guide. Add to it the other items you buy or expect to buy.

Item	Quantity	Price	Item	Quantity	Price
Food			Clothing (Men's, Women's, Children's)		
Milk			Coats		
Butter			Sweaters		
Eggs			Suits		
Sugar			Dresses		
Tea, Coffee			Skirts, Blouses		
Flour			Shirts		
Cereals			Underwear		
Beans			Boots and Shoes		
Meat			Rubbers, Galoshes		
Canned Goods			Stockings		
Laundry and Cleaning			Socks		
Soaps and other cleaning agents			Hats, Gloves		
Blankets, Sheets, Towels					

Why you must do your part

To ensure the success of this price control plan, every woman in Canada should make a list. Retailers are showing a splendid spirit of co-operation. The great majority of them are determined to make this plan work, but if you do not co-operate the whole plan might fail—prices might start to skyrocket. So keep your list handy. Check the prices you pay against it.

If a price seems higher than the ceiling, ask your merchant about it. If further information is necessary, report the full details in writing. Address your letter to the Prices and Supply Representative, Wartime Prices and Trade Board, at any of the following: Vancouver, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg, North Bay, London, Toronto, Rockville, Montreal, Quebec City, Saint John, Halifax, Charlottetown.

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GAIN Christmas finds us at war. Again Christmas recalls the ideals of peace and good will to men. Christmas is always Christmas. Despite the war... despite all that has happened or will ever happen, we extend to our friends everywhere the good old Christmas wish, as timely now as always—A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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POLICE COURT
Two Months Jail Given
In Car Fatality Case

Magistrate W. F. Woodliffe sentenced Frank Ross, Newmarket, in Newmarket police court on Tuesday, to two months in jail dating from Dec. 16 and ordered that his license to drive be suspended for one year.

In police court last week Mr. Ross was found guilty on a dangerous driving charge and remanded for sentence in custody until this week. The charge, to which the defendant pleaded guilty, arose out of an accident on the second concession of East Gwillimbury on Aug. 23, which resulted in the death of Mervyn Lloyd Fogal of Port Huron, Michigan.

Dr. S. J. Boyd, Newmarket, and Rev. Mr. Whyte, Columbus, Ont., both gave character references in behalf of Mr. Ross. Dr. Boyd told the court that he had known the defendant two years and that he "behaved himself well, was a good man and a careful driver." Mr. Whyte, who had known Mr. Ross for five years, presented a letter to his worship which was signed by 125 citizens of Columbus. "It is my firm conviction that henceforth he will conduct himself in a proper manner," he stated.

"Ross, this charge against you and the conviction as also the penalty that I should impose, has given me considerable concern," stated the magistrate. "A relative of yours has been killed through misconduct. As a result of your own carelessness and misconduct you yourself have paid a severe penalty up to date, probably a far greater penalty than I could impose. You have suffered mental worry and physical pain and suffering. I have been greatly impressed by the evidence given on your behalf by Dr. Boyd, your minister and friends in Columbus who seem to hold you in high esteem. I am taking all this into consideration and feel the ends of justice will be met. I am imposing a penalty of two months in prison dating from Dec. 16 and I am going to suspend your license to drive for one year."

After hearing the evidence on the charge of failing to pay Harold A. Tite, Newmarket, wages amounting to \$19, Magistrate Woodliffe ordered Mrs. M. M. Sheppard, Toronto, to pay Mr. Tite \$20, the amount she herself estimated the work was worth, and advised the parties to settle for the balance of the amount in civil court.

According to Mr. Tite, he had been hired by Mr. Sheppard to do some carpentry work on their (Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard's) cottage between Oct. 13 and Nov. 15. He

said he worked 47 hours and his helper worked 37 hours. He charged 55 cents an hour as he was doing the work in the evenings. The customary rate was 90 cents an hour, he said. He said he sent in his bill, but was not paid for the work.

In her defence, Mrs. Sheppard told his worship that her husband was in the hospital, but had left her a signed cheque. She said she did not dispute the work which was done, but said that it had not been finished. She estimated that Mr. Tite earned about \$30.

A charge of vagrancy against William J. Greenly, Camp Borden, was withdrawn with the consent of Constable Aubrey Fleury as police in London want the defendant on a more serious charge.

Although ten witnesses appeared in court, the case of Frank Welch, 26, again adjourned for two weeks at the request of Defence Counsel K. M. R. Stiver, Newmarket. Mr. Welch is charged with keeping liquor for sale, illegal possession and with two counts of canvassing for orders.

Magistrate Woodliffe fined Walter Zihlman, Toronto, \$5 and costs for speeding in Newmarket.

Charged with stealing \$19 from the ill of Alonzo Bigcanoe, postmaster at Georgina Island, on Dec. 9, Leo Commanda, then also of Georgina, but now at the Peterboro military camp, was remanded for sentence upon payment of the balance of the money (\$8.60) belonging to Mr. Bigcanoe. The defendant had already made restitution of \$12.40.

When called to testify Mr. Bigcanoe explained that he had hired the defendant previous to his enlisting in the army. He said that the latter came to him in the early morning of Dec. 8 and told him that he was going away. When later he went to the till drawer the money was missing.

Asked by his worship how old he was, Commanda, who has a juvenile record, replied that he was 21 years of age.

In reply to Magistrate Woodliffe's query as to the defendant's military record, the commanding officer who accompanied him told his worship that the defendant was not under his command but belonged to the Peterboro camp. He had been instructed to appear with him. He added that the defendant had already seen active service in the present war and had been discharged from the army and sent back from overseas because of his physical condition. He had re-enlisted.

"I am going to give you the benefit of the doubt," Magistrate Woodliffe told Commanda. "You have already been in jail since the tenth of December. There is no need for you to go out and steal," he added.

After hearing the evidence on the charge of careless driving against Jennie Myers, Newmarket, Magistrate Woodliffe came to the conclusion that the case was one for the civil courts and dismissed the charge.

According to Dorothy Hewitt, Scarboro, she had been driving south at 45 miles an hour on the fourth concession, known as the Don Mills road, when, as she approached an intersection, she was involved in an accident with a car coming from the east. She said that she thought the car was going to stop as the road going east and west was a stop street. She said the car coming from the east was going very slowly. When it did not stop she applied the brakes. Her car was damaged to the extent of \$55.

Constable Aubrey Fleury testified that the concession road is a straight road running north and south. He said the other road going east and west has a jog in it so that a car coming onto the concession road would have to turn north on the concession road about 40 feet and then turn west. He said he had interviewed Miss Myers in Dr. C. R. Boulding's office in Aurora and that she told him she had a temporary beginner's license.

Thomas Richard Warby, Newmarket, testified that Miss Myers and another passenger were in the front car at the time of the accident. He said that he held an operator's license and that just before the accident the defendant brought the car to a stop at the cross-road. He said that after first looking to the right and left he told Miss Myers to drive on. As she went to do so, her car stalled and then suddenly took a leap forward. He denied telling Constable Fleury that he was driving the car in which he was riding.

In her defence Miss Myers told his worship that she did not see the Hewitt car approaching and that as she came to the crossing her car stalled. She said a church on the corner obstructed the view. "I think this is a case for the civil court," stated his worship. "The visibility from the north is not so good. Miss Myers had a licensed driver with her and she did what she thought she should do. The other car was travelling at a high rate of speed. Both parties were somewhat negligent."

Hope

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Morton, Oakwood, visited Mrs. S. Stickwood on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sedore and little son, of Zephyr, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Boyd on Tuesday.

Mrs. M. L. Pegg and Mrs. W. Crouche visited Mrs. A. Trivett, Newmarket, on Thursday.

Mrs. O. Stickwood visited Mrs. G. W. Fairbairn, Sharon, on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Dike attended the funeral of their cousin at Stayner on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Stickwood visited Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Stickwood, Holt, on Sunday.

Miss Lottie Tansley has accepted a position in Toronto.

Miss Amy Gibson, who is working at Pickering, was home for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Boyd spent Sunday with Mrs. Mary Roling, Mount Albert.

A number from this community attended the Institute meet-

CHRISTMAS

By GOLDEN GLOW

We surely cannot let this glad season pass without a word about Christmas. Yes, we are at war, but for the sake of us all, as well as the children, we should keep Christmas.

We have no need to be lavish or give expensive presents—the government's suggestion that we give war savings stamps or certificates might well be taken into consideration—but there are countless ways, best known to ourselves, no doubt, where we can give pleasure this Christmas.

There's that Christmas card, or better still a brief personal note enclosed—make it brief, if it is to reach the person to whom you send it, about Christmas, for the nearer we get to that glad day the busier we become. Then there's an evergreen or holly wreath to be taken to the cemetery—there's some special act of kindness or some little gift to a shut-in.

Now there is where we do not need to write a brief Christmas letter—a good, jolly, long, interesting letter means more to a shut-in, and one ill in bed, than a good many other things. But be sure and make it jolly! Don't comment on the latest war news unless it is especially good—don't concentrate on how little time you have. In fact, even if you do write the letter in an awful hurry, don't, for goodness sake, say so! It is no compliment to a sick person! Even if you can't afford a few flowers, why not take a few branches of evergreen, for, say what we will, our evergreen trees are to us the symbol of Christmas. What you need a tiny imitation Christmas tree can bring to a shut-in, or one who must stay in bed. A tiny Christmas tree with wee candles and ornaments, and a tiny reindeer to stand beside it! The gift may cost but a few cents, but the joy it brings can't be estimated in money.

We must keep Christmas for the sake of our children—they must not be deprived of the joys we older ones had in other years. Expensive gifts during war-time are considered in very bad taste, and anybody who looks for such displays their innate selfishness. As I said before, the government has suggested war savings stamps and certificates—why not?

We may not have our usual brilliant Christmas display of lighting—but we are told we may have all we want for Dec. 24 and 25. So once again the lovely Christmas trees will bloom—and shine out in all their glory from the darkness, with their beautiful colored lights. The churches will glow with their Christmas lights, the evergreen decorations will smell so fragrant—the usual star will hang over the steps of the church—and the well beloved Christmas carols will ring out—not only from our churches, but over the air from every station on the radio.

We have taken the radio so much for granted that the wonder and glory of it all has escaped us. Isn't it really marvellous that from one end of the world to the other, over our radio, goes out that old, old Christmas message: "Peace on earth, to men of goodwill."

SHARON

St. James' Church W.A.
Elects 1942 Officers

At the December meeting of St. James' Women's Auxiliary, held last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Fred Hall, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: hon. pres., Mrs. W. H. Wilmut; president, Mrs. Fred Hall; vice-pres., Mrs. R. J. Rogers; sec.-treas., Mrs. B. L. Phillips; secretary, Living Message, Mrs. W. D. Grose.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Ramsay of Streetsville, Mrs. Ross Fairbairn of Trafalgar and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wright of Toronto visited relatives in the village on Sunday.

Brock Ramsay of Galt and Kenneth Shaw of Camp Borden spent Sunday at their homes here.

At the service at the United church on Sunday at 7 p.m., the story of "The Carpenter of Nazareth" will be told, illustrated with lantern slides. There will also be special music. The Sunday-school will be held at 10 a.m. and there will be a special treat for the children.

The sympathy of the community goes out to Mrs. Robert Wreggit in the passing of Mr. Wreggit on Monday morning.

ing at Queensville on Tuesday evening, and enjoyed hearing Miss Agnes Macphail speak. She formerly taught school here.

Miss Phyllis Pegg visited at her home here on Sunday.

Miss Joyce Brenair spent the weekend at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Otton, Mrs. Elsie Goode and Mrs. Otton, Sr., Toronto, spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pegg.

Mrs. Norma Crouche is nursing Mrs. Sam Quast, Newmarket, who is ill.

There will be a social evening at the church on Friday, with treats for the Sunday-school children.

"I'm stepping out in society. Tonight I'm having dinner with the upper set."

"The steak may be tough—better take the lower set, too."

VANDORF
Tragic Loss Of Loved
Member Felt At Meeting

The Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Stephenson last Wednesday afternoon.

In the absence of the president, Mrs. R. Scott, who is ill, Mrs. C. Moynihan took the chair. Mrs. Stephenson acted as secretary in the absence of Mrs. J. Wright. Mrs. Ralph Willis lead in prayer.

The topic, "A Christmas Story," was given by Mrs. A. Richardson. Mrs. Gordon Carr read a poem, "The Prince of Peace." The roll-call, "My favorite Christmas carol," was well responded to. A collection was taken for blankets and seeds for overseas. Several members who were absent will be asked to contribute at the next meeting. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. John Petch.

The absence of a beloved member, Mrs. Albert Van Nostrand, was keenly felt by those present. Being the first president of the branch and an active member ever since, she will be greatly missed from the group. Mrs. Van Nostrand had a quiet, refined nature but was always ready to help wherever and whenever needed and her home was always open for the meetings.

The whole community regrets the loss of a good friend and neighbor and deepest sympathy is felt for the loved ones surviving her. Everyone is glad to know that her sacrifice was not in vain, that her little grand-daughter, Sheila, is recovering.

On Tuesday of last week Mr. and Mrs. H. A. White and family attended the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. White of Agincourt. The couple had planned to receive their relatives and friends, but Mr. White has recently been ill and only the immediate family were present.

Mrs. White, formerly Miss Elizabeth Jane Duncan, was born in 1866. Mr. White was born at Mallon in 1862. The marriage took place at the home of the bride's parents on the Don Mills Rd. They first farmed at Leaside and later moved to the Dawes and York Mills Road, where they farmed for 40 years, when they sold the property to the late Senator Frank P. O'Connor.

Mr. and Mrs. White have five children living: William Henry of Dawes Road, Herbert Arthur of Gormley, Shirley Duncan of Agincourt, James Clarence at home, and Mrs. Harold F. King of Toronto. They also have seven grandchildren.

Miss Erna Duncan of Don Mills Rd., is visiting her cousin, Miss Jean White, this week.

A colorful and picturesque pageant was presented at the Wesley Sunday-school Christmas entertainment on Tuesday evening. There was a large and appreciative audience. Much credit is due George Richardson, the conductor.

Santa Claus pleased both the young and old with his wit and humor.

All are asked to please remember the white gift service on Sunday, Dec. 21, at 11 a.m. in the United church.

Era printing costs little.

TO THE EDITOR

104 Matchedash St. N.,
Orillia, Ont., Dec. 8, 1941.

Editor, The Era: Enclosed please find cash \$2.00 for renewal subscription to The Newmarket Era.

I was greatly pleased with the vote against the beverage rooms.

Yours sincerely,
George D. Wark.

(Editor's Note—Mr. Wark was chairman of the committee which opposed the proposal for beverage rooms in 1936.)

UNION STREET

Donald Smith, who is working at Mallon, spent the weekend at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Newall and children spent Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Friel.

Mr. Norman White of Newmarket spent the weekend visiting Robert McGillivray at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arnold.

Union Street Christmas concert was well attended on Friday evening. The old school was crowded. The proceeds amounted to over \$20. This is more or less a record for the school.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Newall and Ruby Mylre spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. E. L. Joyce of Union St.

SEEN STARS

A high school girl, seated next to a famous astronomer at a dinner party, struck up a conversation with him by asking, "What do you do in life?" He replied, "I study astronomy."

"Dear me," said the girl. "I finished astronomy last year."

LOCAL MARKET

Fowl were plentiful on the local market on Friday afternoon when chickens sold at 25 cents a pound, and ducks at 25 cents a pound.

Butter sold at 37 cents a pound and eggs were 30 to 35 cents a dozen.

TORONTO MARKETS

Prices on the Toronto markets on Monday for creamery solids, No. 1, were 34 cents a pound, and creamery prints, first grade, were quoted to retail trade at 34½ cents a pound. Country dealers were quoted on graded eggs, cases free, shipped to Toronto, for grade A large, 30 to 31 cents; a medium, 28 cents; A pullets, 26 cents a dozen.

Nominal prices to the shipper for poultry were: young turkeys, 10 pounds and over, 30 cents a pound; young geese, over 8 pounds, 20 cents; spring broilers, 1½ to 1¾ pounds, 22 cents a pound.

Prices in the cattle section were: weighty steers, \$8.50 to \$9.50; steers and heifers, \$7 to \$9, with a few light steers up to \$9.35. Fed calves were \$9 to \$10.60. Choice veal calves sold at \$12.50 to \$13.50, with common selling downward to \$8.

Good ewe and wether lambs sold at \$11.25 delivered by rail. Hogs sold mostly at \$14.35 dressed weight with a few at \$14.90 and sows at \$10.25.

IT WORKS BOTH WAYS

"That's a nice little boy," said the visitor, as young Freddie collected his scattered toys. "I

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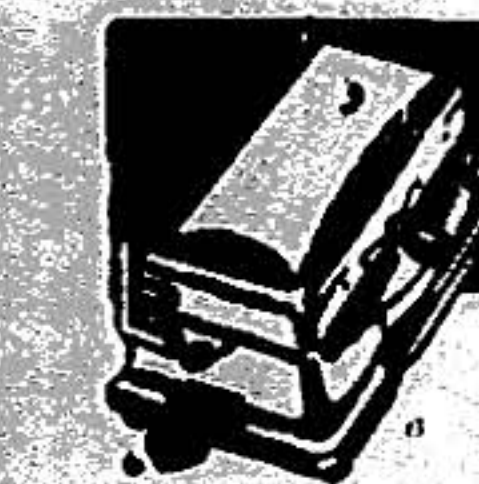
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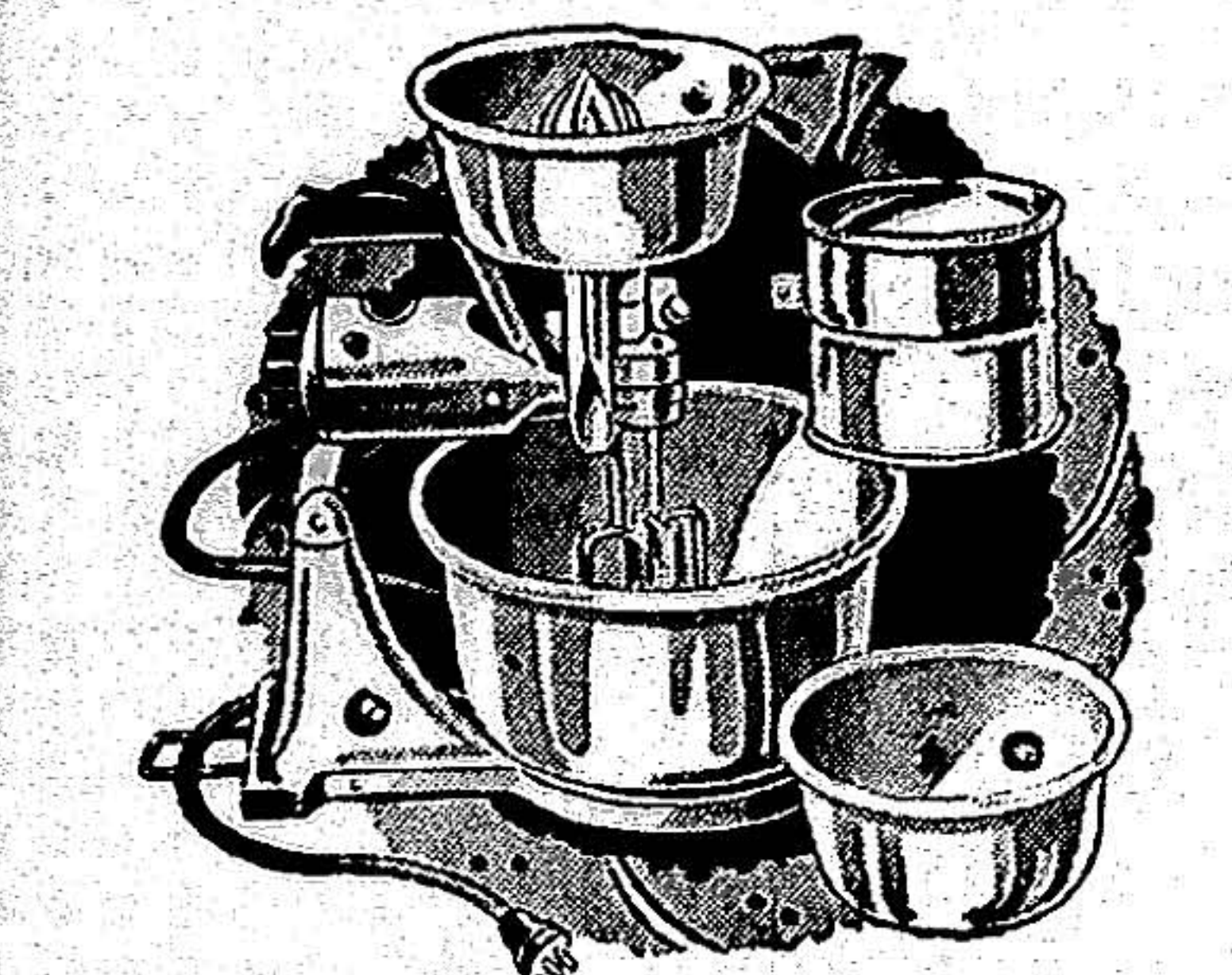
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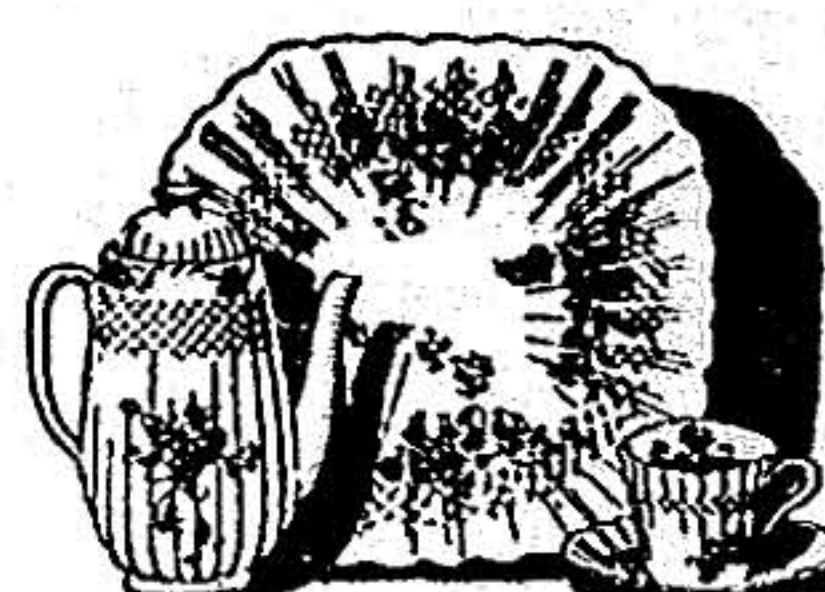
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Thirty-five answers to last week's contest were both correct and in on time. The answers were: shoats, various, circulator, tricycle, employed, curdurey, laundry, registered, capacity and practically.

Mrs. W. S. Perrin, Main St. business woman, drew the winners. Four out of five of them are from rural districts this week. The winners of double passes to the Strand for Christmas week are: Mrs. Leonard Selby, R. R. 1, Sharon, Mrs. Norman Still, Queensville, Mrs. J. L. Smith, Queensville, Clifford Johnson, R. R. 1, Queensville, and Eric West, 9 Pearson St., Newmarket.

They may attend the theatre next Tuesday evening to see Randolph Scott and Gene Tierney in the technicolor production, "Belle Starr," plus the funny English musical comedy, "Laugh It Off," or next Friday evening (on account of the two holidays the second night is Friday, not Thursday, for the next two weeks) to see Dennis O'Keefe, Jane Wyatt and Zasu Pitts in "Weekend for Three," plus Zane Grey's "Riders of the Purple Sage."

WANT-ADS

The rate for Want Ads is 25 cents for 25 words for one insertion; 40 cents for two insertions; 50 cents for three insertions. For over 25 words, each additional word, one insertion, one cent, additional insertions, one-half cent per insertion.

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For rent—8-roomed house in Queensville. Hydro, Garage, Barn, Henhouse, 3 acres land. Apply Harry Knights, Queensville, or phone Queensville 596. c3w15

FOR SALE

For sale—One 7-tube Northern Electric radio, cabinet size, short wave, in good condition. Latest model. Apply Mrs. E. J. Foster, 5 Larmon St., Aurora. c1w46

For sale—1 lawn mower. Quantity of crocks and preserving jars. Electric stove and other articles. Apply Miss Margaret Craike, Spruce and Centre Sts., Aurora. c1w46

For sale—Modern and antique furniture of every description. Also men's, women's and children's clothing. Shoes, skates, snowshoes, skis, baby sleigh and baby pram. Will be sold cheap. Squires, 206 Main St., Newmarket. c2w46

For sale—One six-horse Gilson engine and chopper. 8-inch plates. Apply E. J. Foster, 5 Larmon St., Aurora. c1w46

For sale—Lady's winter coat. Small size. Cheap. Write Box 3, Holland Landing, Ont. c1w46

For sale—Boy's hockey skates and boots. Size 6. In good condition. Apply Albert Cole, phone 166-w-11, Newmarket. c1w46

For sale—Collie pups. 10 weeks old. Apply F. Foster, Ravenshoe. c1w46

For sale—Fox Terrier puppies. Make nice Christmas gifts. W. C. Hill, 17 Huron St. W., Newmarket. c1w46

For sale—Metal doll's pram, suitable for child up to five years; child's wicker rocker. Phone 242. c1w46

For sale—Boy's overcoat. Size 15 years. Phone 410, Newmarket. c1w46

THIS WEEK'S CONTEST

On account of early publication next week answers for this week's contest must reach The Era by Monday morning at 9:30. D.S.T. Five double passes to the Strand will be given for a choice of two evenings in New Year's week, either Tuesday, Dec. 30, or Friday, Jan. 2. On Dec. 30 the program will be the popular laugh-makers, Abbott and Costello, in "Hold That Ghost," and an added hit entitled "Mr. Celebrity." On Jan. 2 the shows will be Leon Errol and Lupe Velez in "The Mexican Spitfire's Baby" and Buster Crabbe in "Jungle Man."

This week's contest will provide the usual ten words to unscramble, but only five of them will be words appearing in the classified ads. The other five will be scrambled words commonly associated with the Christmas festivities. Now get busy and win yourself and a friend an entertaining Christmas present. Here are the ten words (no letters have been left out): SWIRL, FRETTED, LYHOL, SCORAL, CLARKY, GSIC, OTNC, LEOMSEIT, REREP, DEFF, IGUSERTEN, NSICTDE, OPRI.

CHRISTMAS TREES

For sale—Christmas trees. Various prices. Excellent trees. Order your tree now and have it delivered when convenient. Tommy Dales, 191 Main St., Newmarket, or phone 690. c2w45

USED CARS

For sale—1930 Oldsmobile sedan. New tires. Good shape. Cheap. 103 Prospect St. c1w46

For sale—Four-door sedan. DeSoto, '31. In running order. Apply Cameron Wheeler, north Main St., Newmarket. c2w45

WANTED TO BUY

Wanted to buy—One set farm sleighs. In good condition. Apply E. J. Foster, 5 Larmon St., Aurora. c1w46

Wanted to buy—Good price paid for sound, clean fute bags. Phone or write what you have to offer. Phone 657, J. A. Parks, Newmarket. P.O. Box 315. c1w45

Wanted to buy—Live poultry, all kinds, especially fat hens. Top prices paid. Write I. Balsky, 639 Shaw St., Toronto, or phone Lloydbrook 3201. c2w41

FARM ITEMS

For sale—A quantity of good mixed hay. One spring coll, black. Enquire O. J. Peters, Keswick, Ont. c2w45

Wanted—Dead horses and cattle. For free pick-up phone Newmarket 79. We pay phone charges. Gordon Young Ltd., Toronto, phone Ad. 3538. c2w41

LIVESTOCK FOR SALE

For sale—1 cow. Due to freshen Dec. 20. Apply Roy Stickwood, Queensville. c1w46

For sale—Pigs. Three different ages. Enquire L. H. Herdman, Queensville. c1w46

For sale—Yorkshire sow. Due early in February. \$35. S. Dunlop, R.R. 1, Queensville. c1w46

For sale—Stockers. Apply Leonard Selby, Sharon. c2w45

HELP WANTED

Help wanted—Waitress. One with some housework experience preferred. Apply Mrs. A. Armstrong, King George hotel, Newmarket. c1w46

LOST

Lost—Black and tan hound, trap marks on both front legs. Last seen October. Reward. Please return to Fred Arnold, Donnie Blvd., Newmarket. c1w46

STRAYED

Strayed—To lot 101, Yonge St., 1 yearling Holstein heifer. Owner may have same by proving property and paying expenses. J. Dalton Paris, Yonge St. c1w46

MISCELLANEOUS

For sale—Typewriter ribbon, \$1 and 75c, highest quality. Good service, long life. All black and black and red. Era office. c1w46

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BIRTHS

Armstrong—At York county hospital, Dec. 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Armstrong, King, a daughter.

Mount—At York county hospital, Dec. 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mount, Toronto, a daughter.

Peters—At York county hospital, Dec. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Peters, Keswick, a son.

Sloss—At York county hospital, Dec. 13, to Chief Constable and Mrs. James E. Sloss, Newmarket, a daughter.

DEATHS

Fountain—At the Sutton Private hospital, on Saturday, Dec. 13, Georgina Fountain, widow of Ira Fountain, aged 82.

The funeral service was held at her late residence, Sutton, on Monday afternoon. Interment Briar Hill cemetery, Sutton.

Jones—In Toronto, on Wednesday, Dec. 10, Charlotte Bailey Jones, wife of Albert Jones, King township, in her 58th year.

The funeral service was held at her residence, King township, last Friday. Interment Maple cemetery.

Lundy—On Dec. 13, at Hamilton General hospital, Charles A. J. Lundy, Niagara Falls, husband of Margaret McClure and only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Lundy, Newmarket.

The funeral was held on Monday at Lundy's Lane cemetery, Niagara Falls.

Mudge—Suddenly, on Dec. 16, Kathleen S. Mudge, of Aurora, widow of Arthur Langley Mudge, E.E., and mother of Gordon Mudge, Mrs. E. Conyers Barker, Mrs. D. Ross Gude and L.A.C. Richard L. Mudge, R.C.A.F.

Smith—At Newmarket on Tuesday, Dec. 9, Philip Smith, in his 100th year.

The funeral service was held at the funeral chapel of Roadhouse and Rose on Thursday afternoon. Interment Newmarket cemetery.

Tucker—On Wednesday, Dec. 10, at his home, 30 Gloucester St., Toronto, Herbert Tucker, husband of Ethel Flavell.

The funeral service was held in Toronto on Saturday afternoon. Interment Aurora cemetery.

Wright—Suddenly, at Sharon, on Monday, Dec. 15, Robert John Wright, husband of Amelia A. Oatley, in his 85th year.

The funeral service was held at the chapel of Roadhouse and Rose, Newmarket, this afternoon. Interment Newmarket cemetery.

Save money by using Era classifieds more frequently. You will save time and expense, for Era classifieds will bring together buyer and seller, landlord and tenant, finder and loser.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. George Paxton and family wish to express their sincere thanks to their many friends and neighbors, especially Mr. and Mrs. E. B. West and family, for their kind assistance and sympathy during the illness and death of a father and grandfather.

In Memoriam

Ross—Died at Calidar hospital, Gravenhurst, on Dec. 16, 1927. Sgt. R. J. Ross of the H.I.L. regiment in his 35th year. Ever remembered by his sister, Mrs. Elias Smart, Newmarket.

Stickwood—In loving memory of our dear mother, Mrs. Alfred Stickwood, who passed away Dec. 12, 1934.

A wonderful mother, woman and aid. One who was better God never made. A wonderful worker, so loyal and true. One in a million, that woman was you. Just in your judgment, always right. Honest and liberal, ever upright. Loved by your friends and all whom you knew. A wonderful mother, that woman was you.

To those who have a mother, cherish her with care. For you'll never know the heart-ache, Till you see her vacant chair. Lovingly remembered by husband and daughters.

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CHRISTMAS SUNDAY

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Sunday, Dec. 21
Speaker: The Pastor
11 a.m.—WHITE GIFT SERVICE. Bring anything from one cent to one hundred dollars, wrap it in white paper or envelope, and it will go to bombed out British children for Christmas cheer.

7 p.m.—AN HOUR OF MUSIC. We will sing the old carols together. Our men's silver quartet. A mixed vocal quartet. Ladies' trio. Cornet solo. Christmas anthems by the choir and the pastor will sing "The Holy City."

Come and enjoy this happy fellowship for an hour on Christmas Sunday evening.

Note: Sunday-school Christmas tree service this Friday, 7:30 p.m. in the church.

TIE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

Minister: BURTON S. W. HILL
Sunday, Dec. 21
11 a.m.—Morning worship, with children taking part.

7 p.m.—Speaker: Mr. John Roberts, publisher of the Canadian Mining Record. Subject: A reading entitled "The Man Who Brought Us Christmas," selections from Mr. Roberts' forthcoming book entitled, "The Man Everybody Loves," descriptive of the life and death of Jesus Christ, told in verse.

NEWMARKET

GOSPEL TABERNACLE
12 Millard Ave.
Just west of Main St.
Pastor: REV. L. R. COUPLAND

Sunday, Dec. 21
10 a.m.—Sunday-school
11 a.m.—Morning worship.
7 p.m.—Gospel service.

Special music and special speaker at both services.

Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer and Bible study.

Friday, 6:45 p.m.—Crusaders.
Friday, 8 p.m.—Young People's Society.

If you want your town to grow bigger, you must help it grow better.

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TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Christmas Sunday, Dec. 21
Preacher—Dr. Arthur E. Runnells
11 a.m.—THE SPELL OF CHRISTMAS.

7 p.m.—The Christmas Candle-Light Service.

This service is superbly appealing. Music by two choirs.

MORNING
Anthem — Christmas Day — Holst
Trio — How Far Is It To Bethlehem? — Holst
Solo — My Heart Ever Faithful — Bach

Anthem — As Lately We Watched O'er Our Flocks — Folk Song

EVENING
Lullaby Thou Little Tiny Child
Deck The Hall
What Child Is This?
The Holly and Ivy
Solo
Infant Holy
Wassail Song
In The Bleak Mid-Winter
Have a Torch

Public cordially invited

Engagement

The engagement is announced of Ruth Elizabeth Williamson, daughter of Mr. E. P. Williamson and the late Mrs. Williamson, to Robert D. McEwan of Roblin, Manitoba, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McEwan of Roblin, Manitoba. The wedding to take place at the home of the bride, Saturday afternoon, Jan. 10, at 3:30 o'clock.

WEDDINGS

EVANS — SEDORE
On Thursday, Dec. 11, at Christ church, Roche's Point, by Rev. J. J. Forte, L. Th., Irene Velma, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Sedore, Inland Grove, Lake Simcoe, to Harold Arthur Evans, Newmarket.

HUGO — ELVIDGE
On Friday evening, Dec. 5, at the United church parsonage, Newmarket, by Rev. Dr. A. E. Runnells, Eleanor Margaret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Elvidge of Newmarket, to Cpl. Howard Victor Hugo, son of Mrs. R. H. Hugo and the late Mr. Hugo of Newmarket.

FORMER NEWMARKET BOY
DIES, IN FIVE YEARS
The death occurred of Douglas Evans Rogers of Toronto, former Newmarket boy, in his 37th year at St. Michael's hospital, on Dec. 12. He had been ill for the past five years.

Born in Newmarket, he was the younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman L. Rogers, who resided on Prospect St. for a number of years. Mr. Rogers moved to Toronto with his parents as a young lad.

The funeral service was held on Dec. 15 with interment in Newmarket cemetery.

Surviving besides his widow, Margaret Ogilvie, are a four-year-old daughter, Sheila, two brothers, Gordon and Norman, and three sisters, Cora, Vera and Leona. His parents also survive.

WILL PUBLISH MONDAY

Next week's Era will be published on Monday. Correspondents and advertisers will help greatly by having their copy reach The Era on Friday and Saturday.

IS NINE MONTHS OLD

—Miss Myrtle Ruddock of Toronto spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ruddock.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dolan of Toronto were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. Yawman.

—Miss Claire VanZant of Toronto spent the weekend at her home.

—Miss Doris Soutar of Toronto was a weekend visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wrightman.

—Miss Myrtle Comer spent the weekend visiting friends in Mount Albert.

—Miss Doris Young of Toronto, who has been convalescing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Young following an appendix operation, returned to Toronto today.

—Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Taylor of Toronto were guests of Capt. and Mrs. C. S. Gilbert over the weekend.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fraser of Toronto spent Sunday with Mr. Fraser's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Fraser.

—Miss Mabel Morton, R.N., of Toronto, spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Morton.

—Mrs. W. E. Morton spent a couple of days this week with her daughter, Mrs. L. W. Pike, Sutton West.

—Mrs. R. G. Long of Peterboro is spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. B. A. Budd, and Mr. Budd.

—Mrs. M. A. Sugden of Toronto, whose husband is overseas, is making her home with her parents, C.Q.M.S. Fred Lewis and Mrs. Lewis.

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Determined To Push Ahead

(By H. H. Hannam, President, The Canadian Federation of Agriculture)
"CO-OPS ARE MOVING onto main street" might well have been looked upon as the theme of this year's United Farmers convention. The expression was coined by Prof. A. B. MacDonald at the convention banquet during the showing of motion pictures of Ontario co-ops. And "moving" was the word that carried real significance. The past year was one of record co-operative expansion in Ontario; but the spirit of the convention indicated that there is going to be even more purposeful moving in the next few years.

WITH A MARKED INCREASE in convention attendance over last year there was also an enthusiasm that was contagious. But back of that enthusiasm—and this means more than enthusiasm alone—was evident a determination to push ahead in a more vigorous manner. The attitude, though unexpressed in these words, seemed to be, in effect: We have now a great movement, sound financially, well managed and directed, and admirably co-ordinated throughout the province. We are more than ever convinced that our movement, as economic democracy, can and must provide the basis for the better order now emerging. Why not put everything we have into it and build as rapidly on every front as is consistent with sound development?

IS THAT DETERMINATION to be carried out? If so, how? At this stage in our development the answer will depend perhaps more on "personnel" than on any other single factor. Have we enough trained experienced managers, directors, organizers, co-operative employees to do all the jobs there are to be done in a rapidly expanding movement? Our personnel must be at least the equal of those engaged in private business, and in fact should be superior. They have to be as skilful, efficient and industrious as the best anywhere and on top of that need co-operative vision to chart their course and give them the will to follow it.

PERSONNEL of that calibre does not just happen. It must be discovered; it must be trained; it must be promoted to positions of responsibility while still young. Let us in both central and local face this task. Let us make up our minds to formulate a program for training and developing the cream of our youth in co-operative communities. Co-operative legislation requires each co-operative to set aside at least five percent of net earnings for co-operative education. In how many cases is that fund being used to develop future personnel? That is one means at our disposal which, if disregarded, may properly be termed neglect on the part of those now holding positions of responsibility in co-operatives. Young people's organizations, leadership courses, employees' conferences are all part of the same job. There should be an assistant manager in each district and affiliated co-operative being trained in order that they may take over the management of other co-operatives as these emerge. A movement such as ours, if it does these things well, can exert tremendous influence in shaping the society of the future and can fulfil in a substantial measure the vital role which Destiny seems to have in store for it.

THE FARM LABOR SHORTAGE

(By H. H. Hannam, President, The Canadian Federation of Agriculture)
ONTARIO FARM PEOPLE are seriously alarmed over the acute shortage of farm labor. Federal authorities apparently take the attitude that the situation is not nearly as serious as farm people believe it to be. Ottawa points out that, in the main, production has increased all along the line. Western farmers have been bonused to swing wheat acres into grass and coarse grains. In addition the absurdly low price for wheat has driven many prairie farmers into the production of livestock and livestock products. So the western farmer out of sheer necessity is being forced to provide the extra volume of livestock products to make up for any decline in production, or failure to increase, in eastern Canada.

TABULATED RESULTS of the first 45 replies to a questionnaire sent out to United Farmer clubs recently show that 14 farms out of every 20 are short of help; that 7 out of every 20 have been left short of help by sons or other help leaving to work in industry; that 7 out of every 20 farms are decreasing production; that only 40 farms out of 900 are reported to be increasing production and 33 of the 45 communities report not a single farmer in a position to increase production. Estimates provided by farm radio forums indicate that the trend toward decrease is even worse than these figures indicate.

IT WAS INFORMED TODAY that there are five auction sales to be held in this district shortly. This may not be unusual since auction sales have been more or less common ever since I was a boy.

The above is reported as a direct quotation from an address by Hon. Jas. G. Gardiner in Arthur recently. Farm people knowing that there is an epidemic of auction sales this fall on a scale seldom experienced in this province will find little solace in the official attitude implied by the above statement of the federal minister. Does it mean that in the face of a graver emergency than any ever faced by free nations, and when the production of food is as vital as the production of machines of war, the Canadian government is indifferent to a farm situation which instead of encouraging an enthusiastic wave of maximum food production, is the cause of the worst labor shortage ever experienced and a record number of farmers going out of farm production?

THIS LEADS LOGICALLY to the next question: Has not the agricultural policy of the Canadian government since the beginning of the war been one of holding farm prices to the very lowest figure which could be paid and yet get the minimum volume of farm products required for Britain and the home market? In the depression years Canadian farmers were told that they must put

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up with disastrously low prices because we must not interfere with the law of supply and demand. Today the law of supply and demand is dumped overboard and buried deeper than perhaps in any other democratic country, with the possible exception of Great Britain. And counting on his patriotism the farmer is expected to increase production while federal government policy is solely responsible for holding farm prices at a level which provides lower economic returns than those provided by the same government for other groups in the nation.

MANY PROPOSALS have been made for alleviating the farm help situation, and if all the manpower of the nation is to be mobilized it will be wise to get all the farm help worth having from every source where it is not needed in more vital services. However, with increased mechanization making year-round skilled help more necessary on many farms, the problem needs to be met in a more fundamental manner than has yet been done. Adequate economic returns which would permit farmers to keep experienced key men is one way. Another is to give more sympathetic attention to the needs of agriculture in selecting young farmers for the active forces and for military training. It may well be that a certain young farmer is more valuable to our war effort producing food than he would be in a training camp or in the army. If so, Canada's policy in this respect should be clear cut and should eliminate the uncertainty of short postponement periods.

SOIL MAP PRESENTED TO COUNTY COUNCIL

Another milestone was passed recently by those working for the betterment of agriculture in York county, when a soil map of the county was presented by Prof. G. N. Ruhnke of the soils department of the Ontario Agricultural College, through the agricultural committee, to county council.

The map, which is the result of almost two years examination and testing of soils by a field staff and their co-workers in the soils laboratory, shows in detail the various types of soil and subsoil, topography, drainage, lime content, present land use and fertility needs. Many will recall the unannounced inspections of fields by a couple of young men, particularly in the summer of 1940, when they were frequently reported to local

police as suspected enemy agents or fifth columnists.

Prof. Ruhnke, introduced to the council by Agricultural Representative W. M. Cockburn, one of the outstanding soil authorities on the continent, pointed out some of the many uses of the map in such matters as adaptation of crops, guide to soil treatments, location of demonstrations, mineral deficiency areas, choosing of farm locations, and even perhaps arriving at assessment values. A somewhat similar map was provided also for the use of the agricultural representative, for use in his office and at agricultural meetings. L. Webber of the field staff also spoke briefly.

AURORA

Social AND Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lynd of Toronto spent Sunday with Mrs. A. V. Quinn.

Miss Ethel Graham of Toronto spent the weekend with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Graham.

Miss Vera Clarke of Toronto spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. A. M. Clarke.

Mr. Harry Fry of Kapuskasing is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fry.

Miss Jean Fry of Toronto spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fry.

Mrs. William Carlie of Toronto spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Egan.

Mr. C. C. MacDonald attended a musical in Toronto given by the Czechoslovakian committee last Thursday.

Misses Dorothy Aldrich and Mary and Barbara Bowman attended the ten-piano concert in Massey Hall, Toronto, recently.

WHAT COUNCIL DID ON MONDAY

- 1 Approved a weekly increase of \$3 per week for work at the arena during the skating season for Jas. Goulding.
- 2 Learned from Toronto and York roads commission that they would be unable to sell materials to the corporation due to government regulations.
- 3 Learned Aurora citizen had been admitted to a Toronto hospital as an indigent patient.
- 4 Authorized streets committee to purchase calcium chloride for streets if needed before January.
- 5 Called for tenders for refreshment booth at the arena.
- 6 Reappointed Andrew Cross as ticket-seller at the arena at a salary of \$1 per night.
- 7 Granted Capt. Dr. C. R. Boulding, M.O.H., leave of absence for the duration.
- 8 Received framed photo of Aurora boys' band from ex-Mayor P. M. Thompson.
- 9 Received framed photograph of Aurora fire brigade from Reeve C. A. Malloy.
- 10 Heard Fire Chief Harry Jones make his annual report and complimented the brigade on its efficiency and generosity.
- 11 Agreed to conform to H.E.P. Co.'s request re colored street lights.
- 12 Set pool-room fee for 1941 at \$40.
- 13 Passed final accounts for year.

AURORA SOLDIER WRITES FROM PACIFIC COAST

Pte. Floyd Yake of the Dufferin-Haldimand Rifles, who is stationed at Victoria, has been transferred temporarily to the Royal Canadian Artillery and in a letter describes conditions in Victoria, B.C.

"We have a blackout every night, now that Japan is in the war. The people here are unruffled and ready for anything."

"How long you think Japan will last now in her wild leap for fame as an enemy of America? The betting here is that she will be easy money after the first two weeks. There are lots of Ontario boys in the navy and we sure have some great gabfests with them. Percy Hepinstall of Sutton is here with the navy and expects to get a commission soon."

COLLEGE CAROL SERVICES ATTENDED BY TOWNSFOLK

Many Aurora people attended the carol services at St. Andrew's college chapel on Saturday and Sunday. Amid candlelight and beautiful Christmas decorations, the boys of the school, under the direction of David Ouchterlony, gave a program embracing both old and contemporary carol numbers. T. B. D. Tudball read the lesson, while the headmaster, Kenneth Ketchum, pronounced the benediction.

CALENDAR

The Aurora high school alumni association are holding a New Year's eve dance in the high school auditorium, with the proceeds to go to the Canadian Red Cross.

Auction sale bills are printed promptly and at low price by Era printers.

WITH THE SOLDIERS

Mrs. William Wilson has received word from her husband, Trooper Bill Wilson, that he has arrived safely in England. Bill, who is an expert car driver, is now chauffeur for Major-General Sansome of the fifth Canadian armored division and is stationed at headquarters.

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The average attendance at Aurora public school in November was 348. There are 411 on the roll. School days lost during the month totalled 1,006½, with 780 days lost through illness. A large percentage of the losses were caused by chicken pox and colds.

WITH THE CHURCHES

A collection was taken at the Presbyterian Sunday-school on Sunday for the Christmas cheer fund for British children, with the creditable total of \$9.75 being obtained.

Next Sunday a White Gift service is being held at Aurora United church and the collection will also be donated for providing a happy Christmas for British kiddies.

The weekly union prayer meeting was held on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Edward Allen. Rev. H. V. Muxworthy of Newmarket was the speaker.

The Aurora Boys' Band gave a carol service in Aurora United church on Sunday evening. Rev. Roy Hicks gave an inspiring Christmas message "The tree, the candle, the stocking and the carol and their Christmas significance."

IS ON DUTY AGAIN

Capt. Dr. C. R. Boulding, medical officer at Newmarket camp, who has been convalescing from an operation for the past month, returned to duty on Tuesday. This evening he is giving the final lecture to the Red Cross war emergency course.

SOUND ADVICE

An indignant Bostonian once rushed to Dr. Everett's house. One of the local papers had published an article severely criticizing this man. Should he demand a public apology, or file a suit for damages?

Dr. Everett listened quietly, then interrupted. "What should you do? My dear sir, do nothing. Half the people who read that paper never saw that article. Half of those who did see it, failed to read it. Half of those who read it did not understand it. Half of those who did understand it did not believe it. Half of those who believed it were of no consequence anyway."

As Mickey Would Say It

The teacher was trying to impress upon her young pupils the importance of being original. She illustrated by saying: "Mickey," repeat these sentences in your own words: I see a cow. The cow is pretty. The cow can run."

Mickey said: "Boy, lamp de cow. Ain't she a honey! An' I ask you, kin she take it on de lam?"

DOWN THE CENTRE

Charlie Smith and his bride will be located in New Orleans for the winter. "C.W." has worked his way south on the American race tracks with another fine year of wins and as the southern tracks are favorites of the Aurora race fan, Charlie will be a profitable and profitable addition to the Aurora race fan's list.

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Murray Scruton, the local group convenor, has called his meeting for Wednesday of this week at Toronto West End Y.M.C.A. so if you watch the papers next week you will be able to join the Y.M.C.A. did not try his officer's duties to see just how the Y.M.C.A. did it. He lined up with the Leafs in their win over the Rangers. We noticed he didn't accompany the team to Detroit on Sunday because of a knee injury, so perhaps he tried his paper at a special sitting on Sunday. Apps, of course, belongs to a regiment that has a first battalion and can send him to the office, well, he's in Brockville at any time. We make no comments on the situation.

Prognostications made by us last week netted us only an even break. St. Kitt's took Barrie, Markham kalsomined Paris 8-0, Owen Sound beat U.T.S. and Milton pulled one out of the hat by trimming the smooth-skating Caledonia team 4-1. We pulled a real boner in the Owen Sound game. We thought U.T.S. were paying U.C.C. as a matter of fact, the Sounders are rightly installed as favorites for the "B" S.P.A. series right now.

Milton gave a real chill to the other group teams as they took Caledonia. The Sounders scored in the first period, with Milton checking too close for the Caledonians to get away from the final frame, the Sounders scored in the second and third periods, in a row as they caught Caledonia gangling. Evans in the Milton nets was outstanding and Jack Cox, their dynamic centre, did the hat trick to net three brilliant goals. There is one boy for the local fans to keep a weather eye peeled on this year.

Don Hamilton, who was with Lindsay, we believe, last year, replaced Boudway in the Markham nets and scored a shut-out. True, Paris weren't much opposition, but it was a neat bit of work, which means a two-way bit of competition has set in at the Markham goal cage. A boy by the name of Currie, whose status we haven't determined, has played two smart games for Markham to date. Markies will back into Milton next, so we will string along with Ernie Lawrie's lads and call them to win.

The California coast presents a strange picture athletically. The Rose Bowl game has been cancelled as well as the East-West game, Santa Anita and all racetracks have been closed. Even the international figure skating championships have been moved elsewhere. We agree that the authorities, better than the public perhaps, know what they're doing but it does look like a bit of a panicky action. Japanese bases, if the American navy is functioning, should be almost too far away for any danger of immediate action at least, and the history of blitz attacks shows the enemy are not too keen on daylight action, which is when all these affairs would take place.

Picture to yourself the scene in Blighty, where the enemy have bases within a few hundred miles and yet things athletically go on pretty much the same, even to big cup matches were played just the same this year.

One is going to suffer very much because of the cancellation of a few sporting events but it seems a bit hasty in all but the Rose Bowl game.

At Victoria, Vancouver, and Trail things go on just the same. The services play their hockey matches in the daytime and even

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Academic, Athletic Awards Presented At High School

Dorothy Clarke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Clarke, was the valedictorian at Aurora high school commencement exercises last Friday evening in the school auditorium.

Her worship, Mayor Frank Underhill, himself a graduate of the local school, presented the academic awards, while Dr. G. W. Williams, chairman of the board, presented the diplomas. Miss Gladys Humphreys and N. F. Johnson of the staff made the athletic awards.

Miss Elizabeth Wilcox was awarded the school prize for character, leadership, scholarship and athletics. Douglas Clarke received Dr. C. J. Devins' prize for the highest standing in Canadian history.

Entrance awards were made to William Crichton of King township and Grace Willis of Aurora. The former won the J. H. Knowles prize for highest standing among the entrance pupils, while Miss Willis won the J. A. McDonald prize for highest standing among Aurora pupils.

The high school orchestra, a double trio, the girls' choir and the mixed glee club presented a splendid musical program. A dance, "Empire March," was presented. Heading the entertainment was a cleverly presented play, "The Kid Makes Up His Mind." The cast included George Morris, James Shortt, Jack McEwen, Betty Hoyles, Mary Bowman, Barbara Gilbert and Norma Mathew.

Academic prize-winners were: Grade XIII, 1st, Iona Cousins, 2nd, Dorothy Clarke; Grade XII, 1st, Isobel Walkington, 2nd, Lily King; Grade XI, 1st, Mary Crichton, 2nd, Doris Geer, Florence Hiltz, Elizabeth Hughey, Peter Hughey, Emerson Jennings, Lily King, Harold Oliver, Betty Prentice, Russell Rawlings, Margaret Reid, Russell Sayer, Beth Shortt, Emily Teasdale, Wm. Thompson, Isobel Walkington, Mary Westoin.

Grade XIII: Margaret Brown, Robert Burton, Dorothy Clarke, Evelyn Courtney, Iona Cousins, Patricia Emmett, Harvey Fingold, Howard Folliott, Mary Griffith, Margaret Kerswill, Elizabeth King, Christina Kirkwood, Beth McDonald, John McEwen, Jean Myers, Joyce Myers, Wm. Fagan, Wm. Walker, Elizabeth Wilcox, Wm. Willis.

FIRE BRIGADE REPORTS FINE YEAR'S RECORD

Fire loss for the town of Aurora this year amounted to \$1,050. Fire Chief Harry Jones told the council on Monday.

"Our fire loss was \$1,000 and only in two others was there any actual loss," said Chief Jones. "We had 17 fire calls in town, of which three were false alarms. Last year the losses amounted to over \$5,000. We had six practices and played our usual part in town activities. Red Cross functions and polling such as ushering at the rink and the town on the occasions of parades. One of the big activities carried on by the brigade has been the social activities, which benefited the British Fire-fighters' Bomb Victims' Fund to the extent of \$317.67. Local war charities have also received donations.

"There had been seven outside calls, for which the town had been paid \$250, one-half of which went to the brigade."

"This is an excellent report," said Mayor Underhill. "We have good reason to be proud of our brigade. Unfortunately some of our citizens don't pay much attention to the efficiency of the brigade. They take everything as a matter of course."

Drills for school children had been taken at the schools, the fire chairman, Councillor Dr. G. A. C. Gunton, pointed out. "In May 300 children were cleared from the public school in 31 seconds. This fall with 319 children the time was 66 seconds. Two hundred and 12 high school pupils vacated their building in 58 seconds in May and with 29 more pupils it had taken a half second longer in October. It is good time, considering it was a total surprise in both cases," said the councillor.

Five former members of the brigade were in the armed forces and they have not been forgotten by their comrades at Christmas. Hamper were sent to those in the overseas and parcels to those in Canada.

Earlier in the evening Reeve C. A. Malloy presented a picture of the prize-winning brigade of 1938-39 to the council, to be hung on the walls.

"I would like to see all our prize-winning groups honored here," said the Reeve. "None however, are more deserving than the fire brigade."

One member of the band committee, P. M. Thompson presented a framed photo of this year's Aurora boys' band.

"We appreciate what the council has done for us by way of grants and presentations," he said. "It is encouraging to those in charge of the band. I have often thought that the pictures of ex-mayors and important groups in town should be hung on the walls of the council chamber. I hope the band's picture will serve to remind you of the work we are carrying on."

Mrs. Chas. Bilbrough Is W. A. President

Aurora United church Women's Association held their election of officers last week. Rev. Roy Hicks installed the officers, who each held a lighted candle. Following a showing of lantern slides of western Canada tea was served. Mrs. Charles Bilbrough was elected president, with the following other officers elected: hon. pres., Mrs. A. M. Kirkwood; 1st vice-pres., Mrs. E. V. Underhill; 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. W. Griffith; 3rd vice-pres., Mrs. Arthur Atkinson; rec. sec., Mrs. H. E. Lubbock; corr. sec., Mrs. N. E. Eadie; treasurer, Mrs. R. V. Smith; pianist, Mrs. Albert Stewart; annex convener, Mrs. E. D. Warren; temperance sec., Mrs. Donald Galbraith; flower committee, Mrs. Walter Milgate.

SCHOOL PUPILS RECEIVE PRIZES FROM W.C.T.U.

Representatives of the local W.C.T.U., headed by the president, Mrs. A. E. Quinn, presented prizes for temperance essays to pupils at Aurora public school last Friday. Miss Jane Duff of Toronto was present and gave an interesting temperance address to the pupils.

Prize-winners were: room one, Lillian Holman, Helen Foster, Ronald Crabtree, Annie Lepsky, Carol Jones, David Johnson, Lillian Rose, Walter Bunn, Robert F. Walker, Ruth Knowles and Florence Egan; room two, June Coleman, Phil Harrison, Betty McKenzie, Barbara MacGill, Phil Davidson, Mary Komar, Helen Fleury, Barbara Cook, Hugh Cousins, D. Stephenson and Graham Shankland.

Room three, Bill Mundell, Leslie Oliver, Margaret Fines, Sheila Barnes, May White, Shirley Gourlay, Vera Barker, Helen Simpson, Shirley Smith, Walter Lunn, Duncan Thomson and Barbara Bowman; room four, Peter Monk, Fred Whitehead, Betty Corbett, Dorothy James, Dorothy Watson, Hilda Fleury, Lois Steadman, Marjory Sayer, Bill Linton, Reid Hinds and Velma Pugh; room five, Elizabeth Devins, V. Rose, A. Sherman, A. Boulding, N. Feren, J. Nesbitt, D. Hinds, R. Bruce, M. Urquhart, E. Lubbock and J. Single; room six, D. Hanson, J. Stephenson, J. H. Bickson, D. Gilpin, D. Martin, S. Attridge, E. McCachen, J. Maanen and V. King.

IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Charles Lepsky, Aurora junk dealer for many years, is confined to St. Michael's hospital, Toronto, and is seriously ill.

St. Andrew's Ladies Elect New Officers

Officers of the Ladies' Aid of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church were elected last Thursday at a meeting held at the home of A. N. Fisher, with Mrs. F. Kane as hostess.

Mrs. Marshall Rank was re-elected president. The treasurer's report showed a good financial season, with two donations having been made to bomb victims' funds. Eleven boxes for boys serving in the armed forces were packed, with two going to England and one to Newfoundland.

Mrs. J. Miller installed the officers, who included vice-pres., Mrs. R. James; second vice-pres., Mrs. W. McGhee; treasurer, Mrs. John Stuart (eighth term); secretary, Mrs. Bert Rowe; flower committee, Mrs. Malcolm Ferguson and Mrs. J. McGhee Sr.; board of convalescers, Mrs. Wm. Summers; visiting committee, Mrs. J. R. McKenzie, Miss M. Malloy, Mrs. D. E. Barker and Mrs. L. Stephens; soldiers' boxes, Mrs. B. Rowe, Mrs. J. Stuart, Mrs. J. M. McDowell, Mrs. D. Barker and Mrs. L. Stephens.

Councillors Will Seek Office Again, Tributes Paid Mayor

Indications are that every member of this year's Aurora town council will seek re-election for 1942.

The final meeting for the year was held on Monday evening.

"I thank you for the co-operation I have received," Mayor Frank Underhill said at the close of Monday's council meeting. "You have made it pleasant for me to do my job. I hope you will all be returned to office."

"I will likely be a candidate," Mayor Underhill said when asked his intentions by The Era. "If the electors want me I will serve again."

Reeve C. A. Malloy announced he would "definitely contest the re-election." He said the year had been one of "real co-operation and progress."

"Unless some member of the council wishes to move up I will again be a candidate for the deputy-reveeve," declared Deputy-Reeve C. E. Sparks.

Councillor Ross Linton, dean of the councillors, said he would run again.

"I appreciate the way our mayor has handled the meetings this year," said Councillor Dr. G. A. C. Gunton. "He has done exceptional

M.G.H. Gets Leave Of Absence For Duration

The town council on Monday evening granted Capt. Dr. C. R. Boulding, medical officer of health, leave of absence from his municipal post for the duration of the war.

"When I first went to Newmarket camp it appeared practical, and the military authorities agreed, that I would be able to carry on with part of my private practice so long as it did not interfere with my military duties," Capt. Boulding told the council. "I think it has worked out satisfactorily to all. This year, however, I volunteered for active service and having been accepted I am subject to move to wherever my services are required. The time has come for me to ask you for leave of absence. I expect to be at Newmarket for some time at least, until an acting M.O.H. is appointed, and I will carry on until an appointment is made or co-operate with anyone you name."

"I never doubted but what you would do what you have done when you found interests conflicting," said Mayor F. R. Underhill. "Your services have been efficient. We are sorry to lose you even temporarily but we wish you good luck and hope you will come back to us to resume your office."

"It is too late in the year to make an appointment of an acting M.O.H.," said Councillor Ross Linton. "Dr. Boulding has said he will carry on until a new appointment. The new council can deal with it."

Sister Mervyn Closs Is Lodge Mistress

Officers of Queen Mary L.O.B.A. were installed to office last week by a degree team from the worshipful mistresses of Toronto, headed by Rt. Wor. Sis. Rose Howell, grandmistress of Ontario West, Rt. Wor. Sis. Lella Thwaites, junior grand deputy-mistress, and Rt. Wor. Sis. J. McKenzie, grand junior lecturer.

The team also exemplified the scarlet degree. Wor. Sister Mervyn Closs is the new presiding mistress. The retiring mistress, Wor. Sis. Helen Higgins, p.m., was presented with a past mistress' jewel by Wor. Sis. Maude Hodgkinson, p.m. A donation of \$25 was made to the British war victims' fund, being part of the net proceeds of a dance and euchre held recently.

R. H. Kane Is Named Worshipful Preceptor

Wor. Sir Kt. R. H. Kane was elected worshipful preceptor of Royal Lodge Preceptory 1061, Aurora, last Thursday.

An increase in membership was reported during the year and Wor. Sir Kt. J. W. Hirst, Kewick, preceptor in 1940, was presented with a jewel by the past county master, Wor. Sir Kt. John Hudson. The retiring preceptor is Sir Kt. S. C. Chapman, who will be honored similarly next year. Officers elected were: deputy preceptor, George Mackay, Aurora; chaplain, Harry Edwards, King; organist, T. W. Eason, Aurora; fin. sec., Marshall Rank, Aurora; treasurer, W. H. Taylor, Aurora; lecturer, J. W. Hirst, Kewick; 2nd lecturer, W. H. Pattenden, Aurora; 1st censor, A. Hawkes, Elgin Mills; 2nd censor, Fred Morris, Aurora; 1st S.E. Aubrey Fleury, Aurora; 2nd S.E., L. C. Lee, Aurora; pursuivant, S. C. Chapman, Aurora; committee, A. Oseilton, Queensville; auditors, H. Edwards and L. C. Lee.

HAS ADMINISTRATIVE POST IN WOMEN'S FORCE

Miss Nina Elmsley, former Aurora girl who joined the C.W.A.A.F. was among the recent graduates of the administrative branch of the service and has been made an assistant sector officer. There were 58 in the class and Miss Elmsley's rank is equivalent to that of pilot officer in the R.C.A.F.

FORMER PASTOR INDUCTED

A number of Aurora people attended the induction of Rev. George Dix as pastor of York Presbyterian church, Toronto, last week.

Total relief expenditures for 1941 amounted to \$1,222.07. Town Clerk A. C. A. Willis told The Era this week. In 1940 relief figures showed a total of \$3,100.13. Indigent patients last year cost the municipality \$561.42. This year the figure was higher by over \$100.

THE NEWMARKET ERA, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH, 1941.

SCOUTS PARADE

The 1st Aurora Boy Scouts and Wom. Cubs paraded to Aurora United church for divine service on Sunday morning.

OBLIGING

"You don't smoke cigarettes, do you, little boy?"

"No ma'am, but I can let you have a chew of tobacco."

Includes Christmas Playlet

The regular monthly meeting of the Zephyr Women's Institute was held in the community hall on Wednesday, Dec. 10, with the president in the chair.

After the business, roll-call and current events, a very interesting Christmas program was given. There was community singing, including, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," a reading, "The Christmas Bell," by Mrs. Wm. Rynard, an instrumental number by Mona Armstrong, a playlet, "Santa's Helpers," by Betty Armstrong, Mary Law and Kathleen Bartlett, and a duet by George and Walter Clark.

The meeting closed with the national anthem and a social half-hour.

Mrs. J. H. Lockie spent Saturday in the city.

Miss L. Crosby had tea with Mrs. R. Harmon on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Parker

and Mr. and Mrs. J. Milner of Weston were visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Galbraith last Sunday.

Miss D. Ferguson was home over the weekend.

Mrs. Coutilhe of Musselman's Lake is home for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Clark have returned home.

Maple Hill

Next Sunday being Christmas Sunday everyone is invited to come to church and Sunday-school and join in singing the good old Christmas carols.

Last Sunday the pastor, Rev. E. A. McAsh, preached a very helpful sermon.

Sunday-school begins at 1:30 p.m., with the church service following at 2:30 p.m.

Mrs. Plummer and Doreen spent the weekend in Toronto with Mr. Plummer.

Mr. George Mitchell and Miss Blanche Scott visited on Sunday at Mr. Fred Knights.

Mr. Pat. Malony of Toronto was visiting friends here over the weekend.

Mr. John Wright has gone to Toronto for the winter months.

IS TRAINING IN MONTREAL



MOUNT PLEASANT SNOW-PLOW MAKES FIRST APPEARANCE

Winter seems to be here in earnest, with the roads filling up. The snow-plow is making its first round of the season.

There were a good many at church on Sunday, some walking quite a distance.

Quite a number attended the Young People's meeting last Friday evening.

The school concert will be held on Dec. 18.

Christmas will be here in a few days and this correspondent wishes all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

KESWICK Church Friends Pay Tribute To J. A. Morton

Following the evening service in the United church last Sunday about 100 members and adherents gathered in the Sunday-school room to say farewell to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Morton and Betty, who have since gone to Toronto.

Mrs. Wm. Vail addressed the Mortons on behalf of the W.M.S., Mrs. Wm. Davidson for the Women's Association, Miss Helen Smith for the Young People's Union, Miss Eva Gilroy for the choir, Frank Marritt for the Sunday-school, Francis Morton for the committee of stewards and Wm. Marritt for the session.

All paid tribute to the work of Mr. Morton in the church. The minister, who presided, thanked Mr. Morton for his services as elder, as teacher and choir member, saying that he had been truly a sexton and far more than a caretaker.

A Bible was presented to Mr. Morton and a leather bound copy of the Hymnary to Mrs. Morton and Betty. Refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

On Friday evening the Canadian Girls in Training held a farewell party for Betty Morton.

There was a good attendance at the Young People's Union on Monday evening. The president, Miss Joan Peel, presided, and the vice-president, Miss Agnes Lunn, took charge of games. Mr. Jack Winch spoke on the meaning and observance of Christmas for young people.

Miss Margaret Fockler of Maple returns to Keswick next Sunday morning to be the guest speaker at the morning service.

This service will be the Sunday-school anniversary service, as well as one of the Christmas services of the church. The children will bring white gifts and the junior choir will again assist with the music. The loose collection of the morning will go to the Sunday-school. The parents of the Sunday-school children are especially invited to this service.

The Canadian Girls in Training will take charge of the evening service, which will be a candle-light vesper. The leaders and two of the girls will conduct the service, while other girls will usher and assist in the choir.

Friends and neighbors of Mrs. Wm. Holborn are delighted to have her at home again and to know that she is steadily improving in health.

The public school Christmas concert will be held in Belhaven community hall on Friday evening, under the capable leadership of the teacher, Mr. Harnden. This promises to be of much interest, as all know who have attended concerts in the past. Last year the concert had to be cancelled owing to sickness throughout the neighborhood.

On Dec. 4 Walker Prosser celebrated his 85th birthday in quite good health. He attended the township council meeting on Monday.

The temperature was four below zero last Friday morning, with lots of snow, though the sidewalks are still open.

Mr. and Mrs. Devitt are neighbors now in the red brick house on the hill on the first sideroad north of Belhaven.

reported the donation of a quilt given by one of the members of the W.A. to be given to the Red Cross.

Mrs. T. C. Watson, who has just returned from a month's visit to Sarnia, brought up the subject of inefficient salvage in the town and wondered if something could be done about it. So much is heard about the necessity for saving the different things, but there is no regular collection, and housewives, especially, wonder why they are asked to save grease and bones particularly, when nobody collects them, it was said in the discussion. Mrs. Watson explained that in Sarnia a huge box was placed outside the post office, where people could place anything they are asked to save, and regular collections were made. She said an amazing amount was collected. The ladies wondered if something of the sort could be done here.

The W.A. will not meet for Doreen work till after Christmas, but the Red Cross unit still meets for sewing.

TABLES REVERSED Judge—Well, Sam, I see you're back for fighting with your wife, Liquor again?

Sam—No, sub, Judge, she licked me dis time.

VIVIAN

Eugene Paisley of the R.C.A.F., Camp Borden, has been home on a two weeks' leave.

Wilfred Needler and Fred Woodhouse of the Q.O.R., North Bay, were at their homes on Sunday.

The Y.P. meeting last Wednesday evening was arranged by Miss Irene Boden.

The scripture lesson was read by Philip Fockler.

Eugene Paisley played a lovely violin solo and a short reading was given by Bernard Hood.

The message was brought by Mrs. Mulholland, who spoke on "Obedience."

The Y.P. meeting for this week has been cancelled.

The annual congregational meeting was held in the church on Friday evening, with the pastor in charge.

Reports of the year's work of the church, Sunday-school, Young People's and Women's Auxiliary were read and officers of the church were appointed for the coming year.

The regular prayer meeting will be held this Friday evening in the church.

The pastor brought a fine message on "Foundations" on Sunday evening. Taking his text from II Tim. 2: 19, "The foundation of God standeth sure," he stressed the need of "making sure we are building on the

right foundation, Christ Jesus." The public school concert is being held on Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m.

Old Man Winter seems to be here in earnest now. The snow is quite deep in places and roads are getting heavy.

Pine Orchard

The young people of the Church of Christ held a meeting at the home of Misses Viva and Edith Shropshire last Wednesday evening. The leader, Richard Hutchinson, spoke on "Good Citizens Don't Gamble."

Misses Viva and Edith Shropshire sang "Joy to the World."

The next meeting is at the home of Miss Jacqueline Skinner on Friday, Dec. 26, at 7:30 p.m., S.T.

The young people of the community are invited to attend.

The Pine Orchard public school Christmas concert will be held at the schoolhouse on Friday evening at 8 o'clock, S.T.

Worthwhile items on the program are the operetta, "Sit-down Strike in Santaville," and a three-act play, "Improper Henry Proper."

At the Union church on Sunday, Sunday-school is at 1:45 p.m. and church is at 2:45 p.m.

A white gift service is being held.

Era printing costs little.

Mrs. Stanley Proctor Is Ladies' Aid Head

The Ladies' Aid met in the United church last Thursday. They quitted another wedding ring quilt and held the election of officers as follows: president, Mrs. Stanley Proctor; vice-pres., Mrs. Ed. Houghton; secretary, Mrs. Arnold Dove; treasurer, Mrs. Clara Shaw. All enjoyed the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Emmerson and boys of Nobleton called on Mr. Emmerson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Dan, Emmerson, on Sunday.

Miss Hattie Cutting of Toronto spent the weekend with her mother.

Mrs. Robert Rose spent a few days recently with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Walter Archibald, who was sick in bed. She is recovering at the time of writing.

The school concert for S.S. No. 13 is to be on Wednesday, Dec. 17.

EVERSLEY Active Church Worker, Mrs. Albert Jones Dies

EVERSLEY W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. Armitage, King City, on Thursday afternoon. The attendance was fair. The reports of the different secretaries and treasurers were satisfactory. The objective allocation of \$90 was

reached. The value of the bulk seven ditty bags and a load of vegetables, fruit and clothing to Evangel Hall came to \$108. Considering all the knitting and other war activities the year has been a very busy one.

There was little change in the list of officers. Miss Elizabeth T. line and Mrs. McVittie are still honorary presidents. Miss A. A. Ferguson retains her position as president and Mrs. Gellatly as treasurer, while Ethel Ferguson continues as the valued secretary having filled in the year for her sister, Mrs. Fred Curtis. Mrs. Harshaw becomes expense treasurer and Mrs. Armitage is now welcome and welfare secretary. Mrs. Cohen continues in charge of the lunch. Mrs. Rolling as press secretary. Mrs. Ross as supply secretary, with Mrs. Harper first vice-president.

This community is deeply mourning over the passing of a good neighbor and friend, Mrs. Albert Jones, who passed away last Wednesday morning in the West End hospital, Toronto, after an operation for a tumor on the brain.

The funeral service was held at her late farm home on Friday. Rev. Mr. Atkinson conducted the service. Interment was in Maple cemetery.

Mrs. Charlotte Bailey Jones was aged 57 years and leaves her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Howard Cairns (Hilda), and her little grandson, three sisters and one brother. She was an outstanding Christian woman and a faithful teacher in Sunday-school work and a worker in the W.M.S. and W.A. of her church.

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ELM GROVE W.I. HOLDS CHRISTMAS MEETING

Many useful gifts were received at the December meeting of the Elm Grove Women's Institute. The roll-call was answered by a gift for a Christmas basket and each member present gave some small gift to help in the packing of the baskets.

The meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pringle last Wednesday and was opened by the singing of "O Canada."

Mrs. B. Anderson arranged a very attractive table decoration. It was decided that the Institute hold their annual dance in Belhaven hall on Dec. 30 and a committee was appointed to make necessary arrangements.

Mrs. Pegg and Mrs. Richardson gave very interesting reports on the convention at the Royal York hotel, Toronto.

The ladies all joined in the singing of "Happy Birthday, Mrs. Pringle," and wished her many more happy years.

A poem entitled, "Help them over there," was read by Audrey Chapelle.

Mrs. Noble Munro gave a very appropriate reading on "Keeping the Christmas Spirit," which told how Christmas originated.

The meeting closed with the singing of "God Save the King." Lunch was served.

Kettleby

Mr. and Mrs. L. Heacock of King spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stephenson.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. George Paxton and family on the death of her father, Mr. Luke Gibbons, last week.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Walter Clarkson on Wednesday.

There will be special services at Sunday-school next Sunday afternoon, with special music and a White Gift service.

The Institute will hold their December meeting on Wednesday evening, Dec. 17, at the home of Mrs. Albert Parren. They will pack boxes for Kettleby boys who have enlisted.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Dutcher are visiting their daughter, Mrs. P. Travis, Toronto.

St. Paul's Ladies Elect 1942 Officers

The regular monthly devotion-al and business meeting of St. Paul's W.A. took place last Thursday afternoon in the parish hall.

After the devotions the regular business was disposed of as quickly as possible, to give time for the election of officers.

In the absence of the rector, Mrs. J. O. Little took the chair for nominations for the officers for 1942. The election resulted as follows: honorary presidents, Mrs. Joseph Evans and Mrs. John Rosamond, both charter members; hon. vice-pres., Mrs. T. C. Watson; president, Mrs. N. MacLeod; 1st vice-pres., Mrs. J. O. Little; 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. Thos. Leach; rec. sec., Mrs. Arthur Evans; corr. sec., Mrs. Robert Large; treasurer, Mrs. Wm. Spence; Doreas secretary, Mrs. Wm. Bacon, with Mrs. F. Hogue and Mrs. F. Coupland assistants; secretary of Little Helpers, Mrs. E. Bennett; social service secretary, Mrs. Thos. Leach; Living Message secretary, Mrs. A. Thompson; organist, Mrs. Thos. Leach; refreshment convenor, Mrs. A. E. Revill; rector's nominees, Mrs. J. Riddell and Mrs. J. Miller.

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NOTE TO SANTA CLAUS

MARJORIE YOURD HILL.

"My land! What are you doing, Linda?" exclaimed Miss Susan, who had just entered the parlor one morning in December and found her 20-year-old niece sewing upon a bit of tulle with a pink-checked lining beside her on the sofa. "Dressing a doll to give away to some child for Christmas, isn't it? Everyone in our class is doing it. See, isn't this sweet?" Linda held up the tiny garment on which she was working. "Humph!" commented Miss Susan. Then, as an idea occurred to her, "Who are you going to give it to?"

Linda did not reply for a second. Then she answered quietly, "The orphanage." You know my opinion is about that place!

"But the children aren't to have it," said Linda with a little frown, "and I'm sure you wouldn't want them to go with Christmas presents just because you disagreed with the kind of trustees' policies and signed."

"The whole place can go to the devil for all I care!" snapped Susan. She broke off abruptly, noticing the postman on the porch, and darted out to get the mail.

"Here are two for you, Linda," said, sorting it over. "One's for your mother, I guess. And the other one is postmarked here in town."

She studied the envelope carefully. Linda rose hastily, her cheeks suddenly red as peonies, and came over with her hand stretched for the letter.

"Look's like a man's handwriting," pursued her aunt. "See, Linda, is that young Preston writing to you?"

Linda said nothing.

"Because if he is, you're not to answer. I've forbidden you to write to him, either. I won't have you taking up with Clyde Preston's son. Clyde's the ringleader of the trustees, and the sort of the lot, and I want none of my family to have anything to do with him. So there, young lady!"

Miss Susan handed Linda's mail to her, and Linda carried it away to her room to read. Miss Susan opening her own, frowned over one of her letters.

"What on earth—" she puzzled. "How did I happen to get this?"

The letter was curious, a rather smeared epistle painstakingly scrawled in pencil on a piece of ruled tablet paper.

Dear Santa Claus:

"I am a little orphan boy 8 years old, living at the Children's Home and am writing you about what I want for Xmas. I would like a pair of bedroom slippers my feet get cold on the bare floors here. A tractor too but most of all a relative to visit me like the other children."

Hopeing to have a visit from you and wishing you a merry Xmas and a happy new year.

From your faithful friend,

Billy Wright.

Miss Susan pursed her lips in disapproval. What a ridiculous mistake for the post office people to have made, leaving a letter addressed to S. Claus in her mail box! She sniffed disgustedly and dropped the offending missive in the wastebasket.

After perusing the rest of her letters, Miss Susan prepared to attend to her daily marketing, donning her elegant but old-fashioned looking hat and the mink coat she had worn for 15 years.

She drove away in the silent sedan electric which she had owned since before the World War. It was the only one left in town, relic of a less hurried age, and in it Miss Susan was always treated with the greatest respect even by taxi drivers and policemen who dared not attempt to accelerate her slow majestic progress.

After buying her groceries, Miss Susan entered a department store, intending to get a Christmas present for Linda. Dark brown wool stockings, she thought, or perhaps a serviceable scarf. Miss Susan did not encourage frivolities of any sort, and gave only small and utilitarian presents to her friends and relatives.

On the way through the store she had to pass a toy section, presided over by a genial Santa Claus who was surrounded by a host of small petitioners. Involuntarily Miss Susan remembered the crumpled note in her wastebasket at home.

Billy, Billy Wright. That was the child's name, she recalled. In spite of herself she wondered what he looked like. Maybe he was brown-haired like the little chap just then whispering intently in the kneeling Santa's ear. Or maybe—She caught herself, shook her head impatiently and hurried on.

She was swept along the aisle by the surging crowd and found herself pushed against a counter bright and shiny with various mechanical toys. She glanced over the display, wondering just which of the contraptions was the sort of "tractor" Billy wanted. Toys of that type were all nonsense anyhow, she reflected. Much better give something useful, like a pair of mittens.

"Have you been waited on?" asked the clerk.

"I was wondering," Miss Susan astonished herself by saying, "if you had any 'tractors' for little boys, you know."

"Surely," replied the clerk, producing a magnificently red and gleaming machine. A suddenly appalling sense of what she was committing herself to flashed over Miss Susan, and she backed away hastily.

"Never mind, never mind," she gasped, and made her escape in the crowd, leaving the clerk gaping after her.

Resolutely, Miss Susan directed her course toward the women's clothing section, but so flustered was she that she allowed the girl to sell her a gay set of scarf, beret and gauntlets in brilliant stripes instead of the practical brown hose or sensible scarf she had decided upon for Linda.

Her demoralization was completed as she paused before a

nearby counter of children's house slippers. Little warm, woolly slippers with rabbit's ears, fringed Indian moccasins, and what took her practical eye, some sturdy sheepskin slippers that came well up over the ankles. These certainly would keep a boy's feet warm on a drafty bare floor.

"Only a dollar forty-nine," persuaded a clerk at her elbow, "and genuine, fine quality sheepskin, madam."

Miss Susan dallied with one little slipper in her hand. "What size would an eight-year-old boy take, I wonder," she meditated aloud, dreamily. The clerk handed her a pair she thought would do.

"And if they are not the right size, we will gladly exchange them. Shall I send them, or will you take them with you?"

"I'll take them with me," murmured Miss Susan as if in a trance, and before she knew what really had happened, she was back in the street dazedly clutching her parcels. She went to her car, got in, and mechanically drove home. Only when she was taking off her wraps did her stern everyday self wake up and point the finger of ridicule at her weakness.

"Land sakes, Susan Clause," she stormed at herself, "have you gone clean daff?"

She clicked her tongue disapprovingly against the roof of her mouth as she surveyed her purchases, noting the red binding of the slippers and the brilliance of the scarf set.

"Now, whatever did I go and do such a foolish thing for?" she fumed.

However, she carefully laid the articles away in her bureau drawer, and before dinner at noon she retrieved the little note to Santa Claus, glancing guiltily around as she fished it out of the wastebasket.

She said nothing to Linda about the episode, of course. She would not admit even to herself that the hitherto impeccable fortress of her self-righteous anger against everything connected with the Children's Home had been insidiously weakened—and by a childish scrap of paper. But the truth was that Miss Susan's stony self was crumbling, though she tried valiantly to resist.

For years she had gone her own imperious way, giving generously of her wealth, but controlling where she gave: dictating to the hospital board, ruling the church, militating in civic affairs. She had also helped educate the children of her sister, who was married to a poor country doctor. Linda was the third she had taken into her home and sent through the local college.

A few months ago, however, Miss Susan had been flouted. Right in open meeting Clyde Preston had gotten to his feet and as much as said that they didn't intend to run the orphanage any longer to suit the whims of one old woman. Whereupon Miss Susan resigned in great indignation. Other committees and boards of which she had so long been the self-appointed ruling power, showed signs of rebellion, so that the only person upon whom she retained a firm, authoritative grip was Linda. And Linda, being in her last year of college, bore it all patiently, even to giving up Jerry Preston, in order that she might continue her studies.

"For," Linda reasoned, "Aunt Susan means well, I know. And after all, when I leave here I can resume my friendship with Jerry. A year won't hurt us. It will be a sort of test, that's all."

She tried to impress this viewpoint upon Jerry by letter before letters were forbidden, but Jerry refused to see it.

"Stubborn, selfish old maid," he had turbulently written in his last letter. "She gives from pride, not love."

Linda shook her head over that. Although she had hated to admit it, she feared Jerry was partly right. But no one had ever suspected—least of all Miss Susan herself—that she really had a warm loving heart down underneath.

Consequently Miss Susan was considerably upset by the strange feeling produced in her bosom whenever she thought of the trusting little note to Santa Claus which had so oddly found its way into her mail box. She abhorred sentimentality, but often during the day she paused to look at the small round-toed slippers in her bureau drawer.

It was the day before Christmas. There were no festive preparations going on in Miss Susan's house. Linda had long ago mailed the presents that were intended for her family. It was too far for her to go home for a ten-day vacation. The doll she had dressed had been sent away a few days before. Linda wished she could be present at the orphanage when the gifts were distributed. Jerry would be there to sing, for all the children adored his jolly songs. His father was to play Santa Claus. Afterwards, all the orphans and their friends and relatives would banquet together, but Linda and her Aunt Susan would sit down to dinner alone and then spend a dreary afternoon.

Miss Susan's inner disturbance had heightened as, hour by hour, Christmas drew nearer. She constantly thought about the lonely child who had no relatives and who had so hopefully sent his appeal out into the world for someone to call his own.

"Though why I should feel responsible, I don't know," she fretted.

She was thinking of him as

English Mayor Sends Greetings To Canada

Gunner Carson E. Pollock, whose home is at Island Grove, near Lake Simcoe's Eastbourne, recently called on the mayor of Eastbourne, England.

The following is an excerpt from a letter received by Mrs. Pollock: "I was in a small store talking to the owner and I mentioned that I lived near East-

GUNNER C. E. POLLOCK
Photo by Budd.

bourn, Canada. Another fellow there heard me and asked me all about it. He is Captain Bachshall, M.C., information officer of the town. So we went over to see the mayor and spent the forenoon in the town hall and in the mayor's store, a large tapestry store and very exclusive. About 50 clerks and a lady playing the piano on each floor, just to entertain the clerks and customers. His manager showed me all over the store and the mayor gave me a letter which I will enclose. It speaks for itself. I promised him I would try and get a letter from the president of our Eastbourne, Canada, and some picture postcards of it. They want it for their information pamphlets, so please see that the president gets this letter, so he will return a letter."

The following is the greeting from Mayor A. E. Rush of Eastbourne, England: "Warm greetings to the citizens of Eastbourne, Canada. Please accept our best wishes and heartfelt thanks for the splendid services rendered in a common cause of freedom by our Canadian Eastbourne friends."

"P.S. It has been my pleasure to meet Gunner C. E. Pollock."

she marketed for the last time before Christmas. Then, instinctively drawn, she went to the department store, and to the toy section.

"I want a tractor—the biggest, reddest one you have," she demanded, half angrily.

Out of the store she stalked with it, on her face an expression of mingled shame and secret delight. Her progress home was as rapid as her electric would permit, and her fingers trembled as she unwrapped the shiny toy and gleefully caressed its smooth reflecting surface with her eyes. It was the first toy Miss Susan had ever bought in her life, and it made her feel exhilarated.

"I'm going over to the Children's Home tomorrow morning," she announced abruptly after supper that evening. "You may come if you want to Linda."

Linda looked amazed, but sensibly said nothing except a demure, "I'd love to, Aunt Susan."

Accordingly on Christmas morning, after Linda and her aunt had opened their presents—and how surprised and pleased Linda was with the gay scarf set—they started off for the Children's Home, Miss Susan carrying two packages which she did not volunteer to explain. When they arrived she handed them to the matron.

"For Billy Wright, from a friend," she said.

To Mr. Clyde Preston, when she saw him, Miss Susan nodded stiffly, but that gentleman hurried over and amiably shook her hand.

"I knew you'd come around again, Miss Clause," he beamed. "And we're really glad to see you!"

Miss Susan twisted her mouth wryly. "It's not on your account I came," she retorted, "although I will admit those new-fangled policies of yours haven't ruined the place yet, as I expected."

Mr. Preston laughed. "I'll say they have!" Things are working out fine!"

"You needn't boast so soon," cautioned Miss Susan acidly. Then, "Do you know who Billy Wright is?"

"Yes," informed Mr. Preston. "That little fellow over there, pointing out a small, delicately formed child hovering wistfully in the doorway watching the joyful reunions taking place all around him."

As she looked across the room at the child she had been dreaming of for days, Miss Susan's heart was flooded with an overwhelming warmth. He was all she had imagined—this little boy who had no one to love him. Through the ceremonies that followed she shyly watched him over the heads of the crowd. When she saw the wondering delight on his small face as Santa handed him the two packages from under the tree and watched him open them to discover the tractor and the slippers

Scotch Folk Open Hearts To Sutton Lad

An illustration of the warm hospitality being shown to Canadian soldiers in the Old Country is that shown by Byron R. Brown of Sutton West by a Scotch family this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown of Sutton West, his parents, recently received a letter from Ivan R. Brown of Burnside, Rutherglen, Lanarkshire, Scotland. It is quoted in part. The Sutton West Browns had never heard of these Burnside Browns before.

"Dear Mr. and Mrs. Brown:

"We have just had the very great pleasure of having your son to see us here and felt sure you would like to hear that he is looking absolutely fit and is very keen on his job. You would know that my uncle, Tommy Brown, gave Byron our address and he wrote my father when your boy left Canada saying he had done so, and we have been waiting ever since in the hope that he would come to see us. If we had known Byron's address we would have written to him ourselves, but as we hadn't, we could only wait till Byron was ready to come himself. He wrote to father about three weeks ago, saying he was getting leave and meant to spend it in Glasgow."

"If Byron had been coming alone we could have managed to squeeze him into our own home here—it is really only a small one. Actually it was bought to hold my father and mother, but now has to hold me too and we have no spare bedroom. We were very disappointed about this but a good friend across the road offered us a room for Byron and his friend who came with him, so that we were able to have them with us part of every day."

"When we replied to Byron's letter we gave him father's telephone number, so that the minute they arrived in Glasgow they could get in touch with him and he would meet them at the station. Your young Byron, however, managed to lose the letter, so they had to find their way to Burnside, actually a week after we expected them, because their leave had been postponed on account of manoeuvres."

So, one fine afternoon, mother opened the door and there was Byron on the mat, smiling that happy smile that you will know and love so well. I am only telling the truth when I say that from that minute my mother was his slave. We have only had him a week, but he has made a permanent place for himself in our hearts and I want to tell you that our home is his, to use as often as he likes. We are only sorry he is so far away and cannot come to us oftener. If you can suggest anything we could do for him, or you would like us to do, please write to me and let me know. As you know, boys will never admit they need anything."

"We all feel, and I expect you do, too, that he is far too young to be away here in an army, but he has a fine lad for his best friend, who watches Byron like an older brother."

"He has told us a lot about you all, so we have got quite a picture of you all in his own boyish way of telling. My mother, poor dear, sometimes couldn't understand his Canadian expressions and I had to sort of interpret for him. It was fun and he kept us all laughing. It was a great pity that owing to war rationing we could not hold a real Scots Hallowe'en while he was here, but apples for 'dooken' and nuts for burning, and dumplings with threepenny bits, rings and china babies are gone for the present."

"With very kindest regards from my mother and father and our thanks, too, for giving us your boy and thousands like him, to make us feel safer and give us hope."

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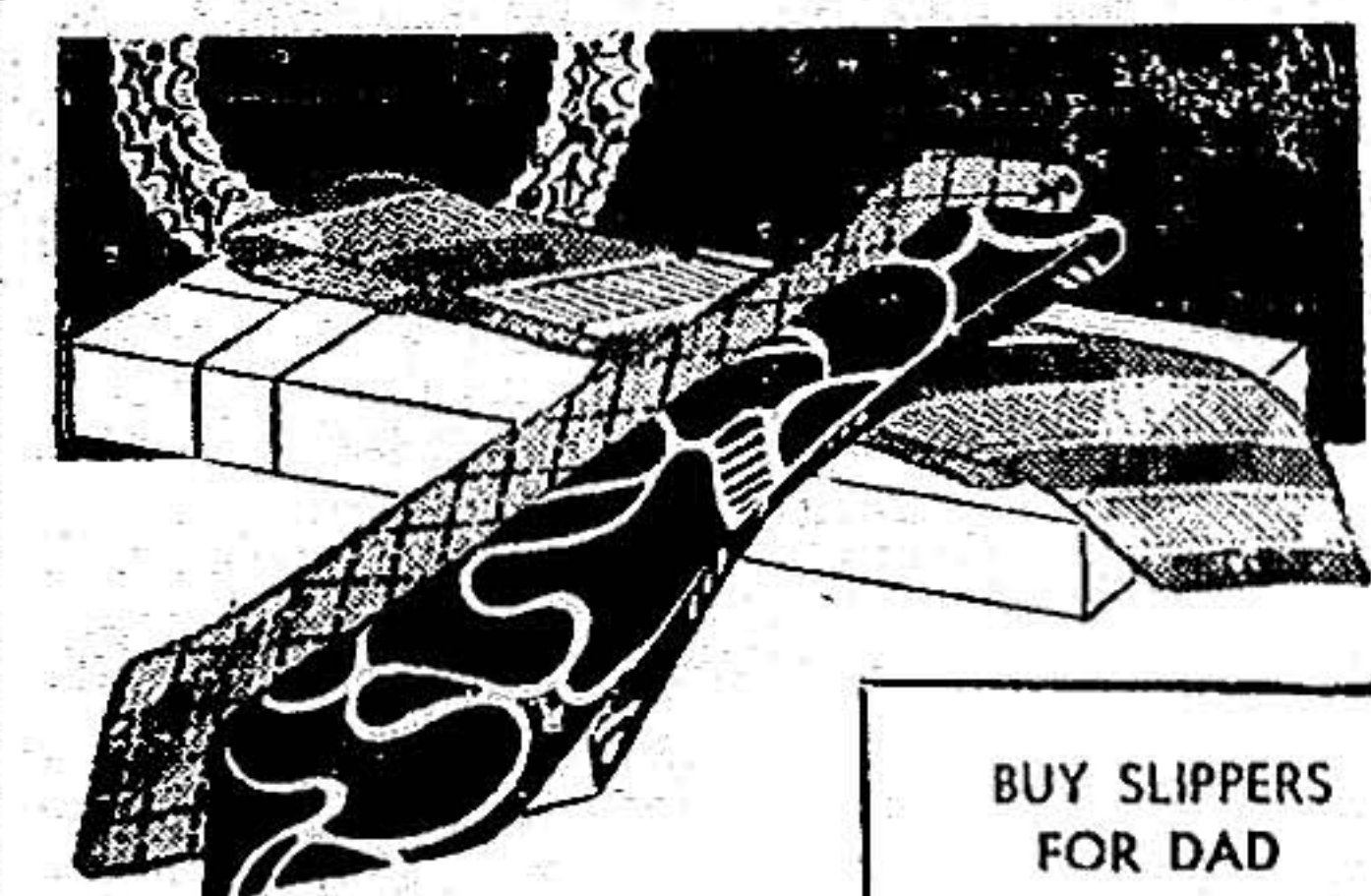
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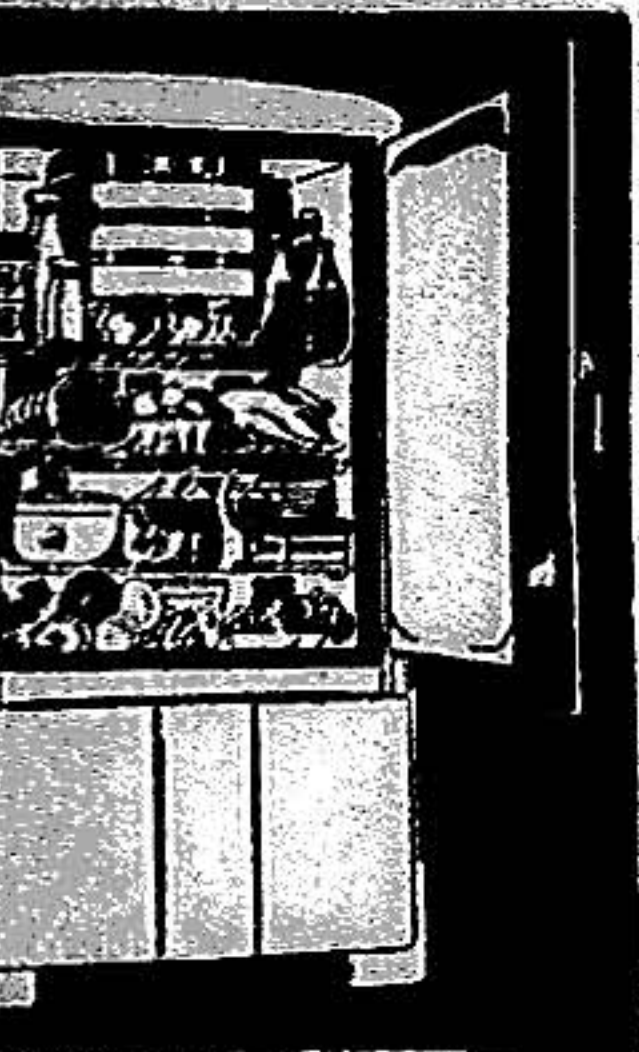
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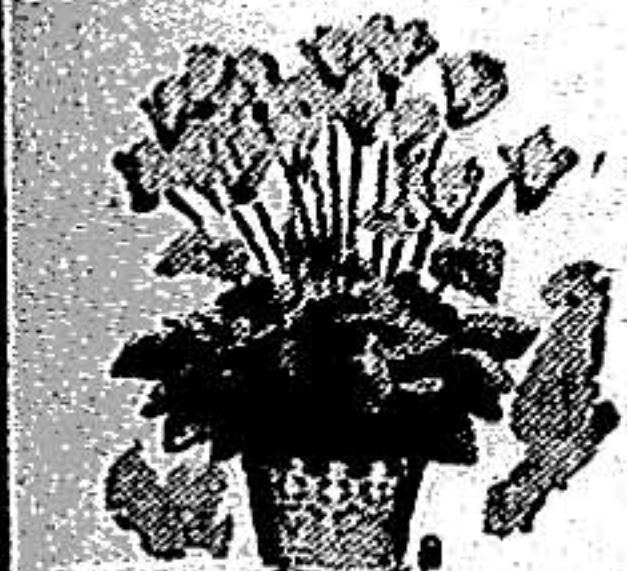
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Christmas services will be held in the United church on Sunday, Dec. 21, at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. At the morning service and at a Sunday-school there will be a shower of gifts for the Fred Victor mission in Toronto.

The concert by the public and United church Sunday-schools will be held in the town hall on Monday, for which a very fine program is being prepared. Everyone is invited to come and hear the kiddies.

The veterans' dance in the hall last Thursday was well attended and everyone had an enjoyable evening. The proceeds were \$32.50. They were very grateful to all who helped make it such a success. If any have been overlooked they can still get in touch with Mr. Barnes.

The December meeting of the



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ROCHE'S POINT MRS. A. N. WALINCK IS RED CROSS PRESIDENT

A special carol service will be held in Christ church on Sunday evening at 7 p.m., D.S.T. On Christmas Day at 11 a.m., D.S.T., there will be a celebration of holy communion, with a short Christmas message. The incumbent, Rev. A. J. Forte, extends a cordial welcome to all members and their friends to attend this greatest and happiest of all Christian festivals.

The annual meeting of the W.A. of Christ church was held in the parish hall on Dec. 3, when the election of officers took place for the ensuing year. On motion of Mrs. N. S. Fenning, the entire executive was returned by acclamation. The officers are as follows: hon. pres., Mrs. A. J. Forte; pres., Mrs. J. Badland; vice-pres., Mrs. E. Blaine; secretary, Miss M. C. Young; treasurer, Mrs. M. Brown; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. E. J. Bunn; missionary committee, Mrs. G. Rae and Mrs. N. S. Fenning. The reports showed a splendid year's work, with all missionary obligations met in full.

In spite of the snowstorm on Saturday evening a goodly number of the members of the Red Cross Society, Roche's Point branch, met in the parish hall for their annual meeting. Mrs. A. H. Walinck, president, took the chair, and gave an excellent resume of the work accomplished during the past year and extended thanks to all members of the branch for their continued loyalty in every department of the work. The secretary-treasurer, Miss M. C. Young, gave reports on the sewing and knitting done throughout the year. A short financial statement was given.

Voices of regret were expressed concerning the retirement of Mrs. Calder Boyd from the sewing committee and also Mrs. J. H. Diamond from the knitting committee.

J. Bruce MacKinnon took the chair during the election of officers, which were as follows: hon. pres., Mrs. J. Bruce MacKinnon; president, Mrs. A. H. Walinck; vice-pres., Mrs. Eric Thompson; sec.-treas., Miss M. C. Young; knitting convenors, Mrs. J. Sutcliffe and Mrs. H. Tassie; sewing convenor, Mrs. E. J. Bunn; cutting committee, Mrs. E. J. Bunn, Mrs. M. Brown, Mrs. E. Thompson, Miss M. C. Young, Mrs. A. H. Walinck; entertainment and tea convenors, Mrs. Harry Babb and Mrs. R. Tomlinson. Votes of appreciation were passed to the executive for the excellent work done throughout the year. A social hour was spent at the close of the business meeting.

Many parents and friends of the children of Lakeview public school at Roche's Point met at the schoolhouse on Monday evening for the Christmas concert. Norman Doyle made a capable chairman for the evening. The splendid program was more or less of a patriotic nature and consisted of choruses, drills and pageants. Much credit for the successful entertainment must go to both Miss C. Code, the teacher, and Miss Harper, the public school music instructor. In the absence of "Santa," two former scholars of the school, now in his majesty's forces, Sgt. Pilot A. Badland and Sgt. Gunner T. Crandell, distributed the many presents to the children. The trustees announced that the silver collection of \$10.75 would go to the Santa Claus fund for bombed victims in the Old Land.

A very quiet wedding, in the presence of the immediate relatives, took place at Christ church rectory, Roche's Point, last Thursday evening, when Miss Irene Velma Sedore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sedore of Island Grove, became the bride of Harold Arthur Evans, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Evans of Newmarket. The young couple were unattended. Rev. A. J. Forte officiated. After a short honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Evans will reside in Newmarket.

Sharon

The teachers and parents of the children of St. James' Sunday-school are preparing their annual Christmas treat in the township hall for Saturday evening. Supper will commence at 6 p.m., S.T., after which a short program of carol singing, recitations and games will be held. It is expected that "Santa" will be on hand to distribute the presents to the scholars.

On Sunday, Sunday-school at St. James' will meet at 10 o'clock and a special Christmas service will be held at 11 o'clock, when there will be a celebration of holy communion. The incumbent extends a cordial invitation to every member of the congregation to join in this happy Christmas festival.

Snowball

The many friends of Mrs. Hattie Storey will regret to learn she is under the doctor's care.

The Snowball Women's Institute will meet next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Clifton Copson. The program will include: roll-call, "One of the causes of the present war," Mrs. Beckett, convener, current events; Mrs. Davison, music; hostesses, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. W. Storey, Mrs. A. Storey and Mrs. Hollingshead.

Miss Verna Bovair of Temperanceville spent the weekend with Miss Mary Mills.

Mrs. Rose Ferguson of Aurora spent a few days with her granddaughter, Mrs. Owen Barr.

One of King township's oldest residents, Luke Gibbons, passed away on Thursday morning. He was an honorary life member of the Snowball Women's Institute and was highly respected by the people of this community.

Schomberg

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cole of Woodbridge visited Mr. and Mrs. E. McDevitt recently.

Mrs. Wm. Dennis, who has been ill in Toronto for some weeks and who died last week, was laid to rest at Schomberg cemetery on Saturday. Sympathy is extended to her husband and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. MacKay spent Saturday in Toronto.

Turkey picking is the order of the day in this vicinity.

Mr. Bruce McGuire is somewhat improved. He has been suffering from eye trouble.

Mrs. G. Lloyd, Mrs. E. Smith and Mrs. A. Forth spent Thursday evening with Mrs. F. MacKay.

Miss R. Proctor of Toronto spent the weekend with her parents.

Mrs. J. Rae was in Toronto on Wednesday.

Miss Velma Winter spent Wednesday with her cousin, Miss Muriel Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Wood of Bradford visited Mr. and Mrs. H. Botham on Sunday.

Queensville

Sunday is White Gift Sunday in the Queensville United church and all are asked to be present and bring a gift that will cheer the heart of some needy person. It is also Christmas Sunday and the choir is preparing special Christmas music.

From now until Christmas the mails are heavy. If the patrons of the rural routes could buy their stamps early and kindly stamp their letters before posting it would save the mail delivery a great deal of unnecessary handling, which is not very pleasant on a cold, frosty day in winter.

Quite a large number attended the meeting last Wednesday and enjoyed hearing Miss Agnes Macphail.

Mrs. A. B. Stickwood of Madoc and young son, Larry, are visiting at Mr. Elmer Stickwood's this week.

Robert Putnam is still in Toronto. The last report was that he was expected home shortly.

Practical Scot

An enterprising pastor, called to a parish in a small mining town, added many members, and finally built a new church house. A steam-heating plant was installed, and he felt the building was complete except for a church bell. The members had contributed so generously that the pastor decided to go outside the fold for donations.

His first call was on a hard-headed Scot, to whom he explained his desire. The Scot asked, "Ye say ye have a noo kirk?"

"Yes," answered the pastor hopefully.

"An' noo ye want a bell for't?"

"That's right," was the answer.

"An' ye say the kirk is heated by steam?"

"Yes."

"Weel, whyfore d'ye want a bell? Why don't ye put a whistle in it?"

"WELL, SAY IT QUICK!"

An angler who had been trying to hook something for the last few hours was sitting gloomily at his task when a mother and her small son came along.

"Oh," cried the boy, "let me see you catch a fish!"

Addressing the angler, the mother said severely, "Now don't catch a fish for him until he says 'Please!'"

Mother Dies

Mrs. Mary Jane Leonard Ball, mother of Dr. Stanley Ball of Stouffville, died at Hanover, Ont., on Friday. Her husband, the late R. J. Ball, was a former member of parliament for South Grey.

Eras may be purchased at the following places: Spillet's, Bolton's, Campbell's, Book Store, Bell's Drug Store and Best Drug Store.

King Council Wins Up 1941 Business

The day after Christmas, Dec. 26, was declared a public holiday throughout the township at the regular meeting of King township council at the Temperance hall at Kettleby on Monday.

General accounts passed included: Woodbridge and Vaughan Telephone, clerk's phone, \$9.86; H. G. Rose, registrations, \$3.75; J. A. Farquhar, constable account, \$25.30; Department of Game and Fisheries, hunting licenses, \$4.20; C. N. I. for the Blind, indigent, \$12; Muskoka hospital, Irene Ellison, \$15; North York registry office, searches and deeds, \$89.29; Department of Health, insulin, \$5.34; W. A. Cutting, constable services, \$27.40; Nobleton postmaster, stamps, \$18; Kettleby hall, re Mrs. Crawford, rent for council meeting, \$5; Arthur Wellesley, school attendance work, \$12; Masonic hall, nomination meeting, \$10; Thos. MacMurchy, long distance calls, \$2.35; Thos. MacMurchy, constable badge, \$1.50; William Davis, constable services, \$13; Chas. H. Ross, tax services, \$6.73; Cousins Dairy, milk, \$11.05; County of York, 50 percent of hospital refunds from June 1 to Dec. 15, \$39; October hospitalization, \$65.62; Thos. MacMurchy, \$5.

Road voucher No. 13, November, \$783.54; road voucher, No. 14, December, \$1,887.92; road voucher, No. 16 (A), \$288.42; road voucher No. 17 (A), \$341.46; road voucher No. 18 (A), \$396.63; road voucher No. 19 (A), \$173.07; road voucher, No. 20 (A), \$187.95; relief account, \$99.74.

The council confirmed the apportioning of the taxes on the Ferry property as follows: E. Edwards, E¹/₂, W¹/₂ lot 20, concession nine; A. Boake, W¹/₂ lot 19 and 20, concession nine.

The treasurer was authorized to issue a cheque to the secretary-treasurer of the several King school sections for \$31,998.79, less the amount of \$853.32 already advanced to the secretary-treasurer of S. S. No. 4. The treasurer of the County of York was paid the sum of \$28,885.70, the township's 1941 levy.

The cheque from the provincial treasurer for \$1,153.25, the provincial government one mill subsidy, was accepted.

A by-law taking over certain roads in the Holland Marsh was amended by taking over a further 30 rods on the Emma Road and a further 25 rods on the Wilhelmina Road in order that present available money for expenditure on these roads may be expended.

The meeting adjourned to meet at Sutton's hotel on the second Monday in the new year, or at the call of the chair.

Church Groups Elect Officers For New Year

The W.M.S. of the United church held their birthday and silver ten cent Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. O'Brien. There was a good turn-out in spite of the weather.

The Red Cross held a handkerchief shower on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. George Stone, Sr. Mrs. Robt. Riddell sang "The Old Refrain" and "There'll Always Be An England." There were about 150 handkerchiefs given.

The W.M.S. held their annual meeting and election of officers last Thursday. The meeting was held in the church. Officers are: president, Mrs. J. Patton; vice-pres., Mrs. Wm. Carson; treasurer, Mrs. John Dew, Sr.; secretary, Mrs. Collin Campbell; Christian fellowship, Mrs. Winter; associate helper, Mrs. George Stone, Sr.; temperance, Mrs. Henry Hamby.

The W.A. held their annual meeting and election of officers on Tuesday. The meeting was in the church.

Officers are: president, Mrs. John Morris; vice-pres., Mrs. Collin Stewart; secretary, Mrs. Hamby; assistant secretary, Mrs. J. Patton; treasurer, Mrs. Campbell; assistant treasurer, Mrs. M. Legge.

The Y.P.U. held their election of officers on Monday evening.

The I.O.O.F. are: president, Ross Follott; president, Helen Campbell; secretary, Mabel Hall; treasurer, Roy Richards; Christian fellowship, Hilda Patton; Christian missions, Doris Payne; Christian citizenship, Ross Follott; Christian culture, Norman Payne; recreation, Ross Follott; plantist, Doris Payne; librarian, Annie McElride.

The Y.P.U. planned to have a social on Monday, Dec. 29. The program convener is Helen Campbell, the lunch convener, Mabel Hall, advertisement convener, Hilda Patton, and recreation committee, Ross Follott and Roy Richards.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Archibald are moving to the city the first of the year, as Mr. Archibald has taken a position there.

NOT THE RIGHT ANSWER

A Swede purchased a car and was seen driving down the street about sixty miles an hour. A policeman yelled at him to stop but instead of slowing up the Swede increased his speed. When the officer finally caught up with him he roared, "Why didn't you stop? Didn't you hear me holler back there?"

Seemingly unconcerned the Swede replied: "Oh, vas dat you dat yelled? I thought it was somebody I ran over."

HOW ELSE?

St. Peter-How did you get up here?

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Rev. Gordon Lapp of Keswick, cousin of the groom, officiated at the marriage of Helen Jean Burnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Haig Burnett, to Mr. Robert Watts Lapp, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clarke Lapp, in Deer Park United church, Toronto.

WILL PUBLISH MONDAY

Next week's Era will be published on Monday. Correspondents and advertisers will help greatly by having their copy reach The Era on Friday and Saturday.

BACK OF FOOD THERE IS FEED

(From the Rural Co-operator)

If someone were to step up just now and say that the feed industry was the most important industry in Canada, suggests a statement issued by the feed division of the United Farmers Co-operative Company, he would not be so far from the truth that his viewpoint could not be supported with strong and logical argument.

Steel, munitions, transportation, manufacturing of all kinds depend on manpower, basically, and manpower is dependent on food. The phrase that "Food will win the war and write the peace" is not merely a catchy slogan. It is true. Back of food is feed. Meat, bacon, cheese, milk and eggs are essential to human efficiency and well being. The farmer supply of them we have, the better equipped we are either to fight or work. Without them no nation can fight a long war or conduct its peacetime affairs with high efficiency.

Production of meat, milk and eggs call for feeding, and the better the feeding the higher the production. In times like these, when the requirements are so tremendous, the keystone of the entire structure logically would seem to be that industry which is supplying the feeds that increase production. The feed industry not only is an important industry, it is essential, even to the point of being ranked above all other lines of supply effort.

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